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Rise in damage frustrates students, faculty

by Sarah Karalunas '04
NEWS EDITOR

Sixty reports of damage to different areas of campus were reported this weekend. This is three times the number submitted two weeks ago.

"Who knows why [there are so many more reports]? I would bet it has to do with the weather," said Building Structural Trades Manager Tony Poccia.

Among the most expensive, and visible, damage over the past weekend were the theft of the Beinecke Village clock, a broken glass door at the entrance of Commons facing Dunham, and a student's dorm door being kicked in at the TDX house. A window to the pool was also broken. The Little Pub also had one of its 67" windows broken, when a beer bottle was thrown through it. . Poccia said it is the first time in his ten years at Hamilton that those windows have been damaged.

"People just don't realize how much this stuff costs," said Poccia. The doors, which are storms, cost around five hundred dollars. Poccia believes that the cost will be assessed to the dorm as a whole.

In addition to the cost of parts, students must also cover the cost of labor for all the repairs. In the Ferguson basement a student body-slammed the wall so hard that it broke through two pieces of sheet rock, bent the metal framing underneath, and cracked an eight inch baseboard trim. In addition to the physical repairs, the electrical circuiting was also knocked loose. "That take three different trades to repair," said Poccia. "And we found bloody rags in the bathroom. I'm sure that kid was hurt."

The light posts that line College Hill Road are also popular targets for vandals, said Poccia. "Kids just don't realize those are big ticket items."

"This is the worst damage I've seen in five years," said Director of Student Activities Beverly Low. In 1995 after the announcement of the Residential Life decision, in which fraternity housing was taken away, the amount of campus damage drastically increased because students were angry about the decision, said Low.

"Are people that angry or upset now? They need to take a breather or see a counselor. There's other ways to channel anger and energy," said Low.

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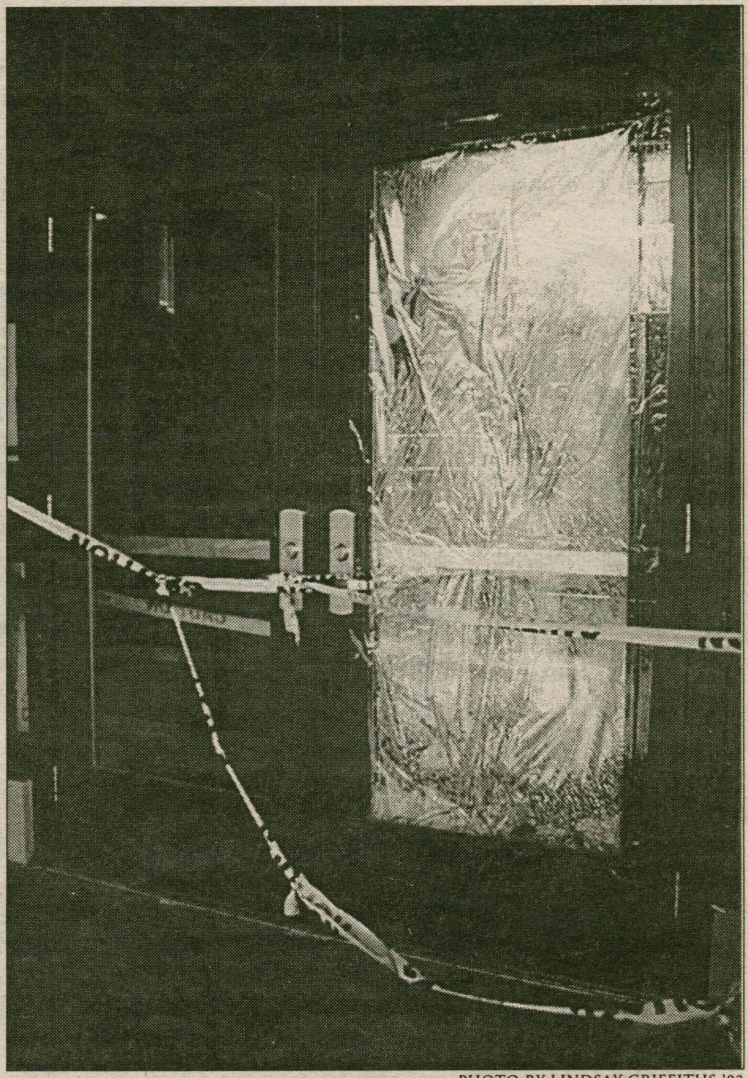

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

Students broke one of the glass doors at the main entrance to Commons dining hall this past weekend.

Carter to speak on Monday, April 30

by Cristen Sargent '01
FEATURES EDITOR

We blew it. We were going to save the soul of America.

Then we lose in Vietnam, OPEC shuts off our oil, President Nixon resigns, the economy goes south. People wander in the smog of aftermath and say, "It's like the blessing has been removed from our land."

President Carter says, "Two problems of our country - energy and malaise."

It's like being trapped in a full-body cast and your only connection with the world is a CB radio where Henry Kissinger reads to you from Gravity's Rainbow, like the whole decade has an adenoid problem...

– Henry Allen,
What it Felt Like

As depicted by this excerpt from *Washington Post* editor and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Henry Allen '63's book *What It Felt Like: Living in the American Century*, Jimmy Carter was president during an era of extreme national duress, when domestic need far outstripped executive ability, and civic spirit begged for rejuvenation.

Carter, 39th President of the United States and notable humanitarian, will give a free lecture on campus at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Field House.

James Earl Carter was born to James Earl, Sr., a farmer and businessman, and Lillian, a nurse, in October 1924. Biographers described his childhood in the town of Archery, Ga. as "isolated but never lonely." After spending time at Georgia Southwestern College and the Georgia Institute of Technology, Carter received a B.Sc. from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. He rose to the rank of lieutenant while serving in the nuclear submarine program before his father fell ill, and Carter then returned with wife Roslynn to Archery. He continued the upkeep of the family farm and a small general store (which grew into a successful farm supply warehouse) after his father's death.

Carter soon became involved in local politics, serving on the county school board. He ran successfully for the Georgia State Senate in 1962 and lost a bid for governor in 1966. The loss was a blow to Carter, and he battled with bouts of depression in the years before his second run for the seat four years later. This time, Carter was elected governor and began his term in January 1971. He worked his way briefly into the national spotlight with his progressive hiring practices of women and blacks to public offices, and for streamlining bulky layers of bureaucracy.

Carter announced his plans to run for the Democratic presidential candidacy during the last year of his term as governor. Although he had little national recognition, persistent campaigning and recent events se-

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Lolligate: Sweets turn election sour

Lollipop distribution results in contested J-Board election

by Thomas Keane '03
NEWS WRITER

Uncertainty surrounded the election last Wednesday, April 18 for Chair of the Judicial Board after a student formality contested the election. After thoroughly reviewing the situation, the Student Assembly confidently declared that the election was valid and that its results would be upheld. Sara Weinstein '02 was declared the winner because (in accordance to Article VII, Section 9, (A) of the Student Assembly Constitution) she received more than forty percent of the vote.

After the polls closed last Wednesday, the election for J-Board Chair was contested. A student questioned the legitimacy of the election on the grounds that the Class of 2001 was not given the opportunity to vote and that one candidate was campaigning in Beinecke Village, the official polling place, while the polls were open. It was also mentioned that the other candidate dropped out of the race. Student Assembly addressed these questions at an intense meeting Monday evening.

Elections Chair Alex Peltz '01 presented the claims to the Assembly at the opening of the meeting. Assembly members consulted the Student Assembly Constitution, as well as the By-laws of the Central Council, and found that seniors do not have the explicit right to vote in elections for an upcoming academic year. It was also brought to the Assembly's attention that seniors have not had this privilege in at least four years. These facts led to a general feeling that the Class of 2001 had not been disenfranchised.

The next issue concerned the campaign practices of Weinstein, current J-Board chair. Article 5, Section 1, (G) of the Bylaws of the Central Council states, "Candidates or their active supporters may not loiter or display campaign material (i.e. signs, posters, etc.) within 150 feet of the polls during polling hours." The student who contested the election alleged that Ms. Weinstein was distributing campaign materials in students' mailboxes while the polls were open. The placement of the polls in the Beinecke Student Activities Village was within 150 feet of the Mail Center.

Weinstein addressed the Assembly, saying that she and a colleague were stuffing mailboxes with flyers and lollipops from 8:30 to 9:20 on Wednesday morning. These times do not conflict with the 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. polling hours. Beside her sat Jeff Krutz '01, who corroborated her story. Sara also went on to say that the only other times that she was in Beinecke on Wednesday were at 1 p.m., in order to vote, and at 2:30 p.m., to check her mail.

Taking into consideration that no one present was able to substantiate that campaign activity took place during polling hours, the Assembly was obligated to defend the results of the election. The official vote to uphold was twenty-five "yeas," zero "nays," and three abstentions.

There was also suspicion regarding J-Board Chair candidate Byron Miler '02 and his role in the race. Miller withdrew his candidacy late Tuesday evening preceding the election. Election officials received his notification too late to remove him from the already printed ballots. Denying any ulterior

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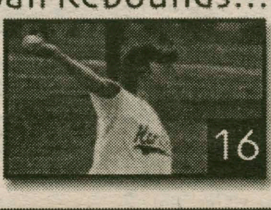

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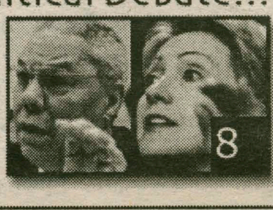

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Kirkland project associates present research findings

by Laurie Northrup '03
NEWS WRITER

This year's Kirkland Project Research Associates presented the results of their semester's research on April 23. Covering a broad range of topics related to diversity, the Associates presented summaries of their personal research and answered a few short questions. After the presentations, the Associates took questions individually and as a group from the audience of 45. This semester's Associates included Mimi Pearle '02, Keithley Woolward '01, Jessica Ambrose '02, Jamie Crowley '01, and Redell Armstrong '02.

Pearle, a history major, researched the treatment of homosexual men in Nazi concentration camps. Using memoirs and secondary sources, she outlined details of the treatment of gay men under Hitler. Since homosexual relations were illegal under Hitler and the law was strictly enforced, many men served prison terms before being sent to concentration camps. There, they were assigned to the hardest work and had the most medical experiments performed on them by doctors hoping to "cure" them of their sexual orientation. Finally, after the camps were shut down, those men who had time left on their prison sentences were put back in jail instead of being fieed like other prisoners.

PHOTO COURTESY KIRKLAND PROJECT

Kirkland associates Redell Armstrong '02, Mimi Pearle '02, Jessica Ambrose '02, Keithley Woolward '01, Jamie Crowley '01, Ayanna Scoon '03.

Woolward, a comparative literature major, analyzed Samuel Delaney's memoir *The Motion of Light in Water* by looking at it with literary critic Joan Scott's post-structuralist critique of experience. He eventually found her theory to be flawed, since post-structuralist critique claims that social and cultural identities are simply fictitious and cannot be definitively identified. Looking at the experience of Delaney, Woolward found that the writer's sense of identity was in fact shaped by the experiences that he had in New York City's gay culture of the 1950s.

Ambrose, a sociology major, summarized her work on a journaling project for girls at Clinton Middle School. She had previously worked with the same group of girls on a project to analyze contemporary magazines, and another to research how adolescent girls express negative emotions. Meeting weekly after school, she encouraged the group of six girls to write about whatever was on their minds. The group functioned as a comfortable environment for the girls to share their thoughts, and also as a support group for a difficult period of their lives. Ultimately, she will publish a guidebook for others who want to pursue similar identity-building and student-centered projects.

Crowley, a psychology major, outlined her interviews with Hamilton women who feel isolated from the rest of the campus community since they do not fit the mold of the "typical" Hamilton student. This work tied in with her thesis on depression in college women. Research shows that depression levels for all people rise during adolescence and that women are twice as likely as men to suffer from depression at some point during their lives. In her Kirkland Project research, Crowley interviewed Hamilton women who feel isolated and marginalized from most of the Hamilton community. The students agreed that there is a "typical" Hamilton student and that anyone who does not fit that norm feels like an outsider. They complained about the unwillingness of students to be challenged or to leave their comfort zones.

Finally, Armstrong, an Africana Studies and history major, presented his research on clitorectomy in the Sudan. The surgery is practiced on two million women annually in the Middle East, Africa, Asia, and immigrant communities in the United States and Europe. Focusing on the Sudan and inter-

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Lack of support for CCC curtails Class & Charter day plans

by James P. DuVernay '03
NEWS EDITOR

Faced with a lack of student support and financial backing from Student Assembly, the Community Conference Committee (CCC) will not be able to provide a range of events to celebrate Class and Charter Day this year.

With the end-of year celebration a week away, CCC Chair Lindsey "Bead" Martin '03 reports that the committee is trying to organize a collection of musical performances by student bands in the McEwen breezeway. A DJ following the students has been considered, but Martin noted that "we're still searching for funding."

As defined in the Student Assembly Constitution, the CCC is charged with representing student sentiment, addressing issues of concern for the Hamilton community, and facilitating communication between the various campus constituencies. It also is supposed to act in an advisory role to college administrators, including the dean of students, the dean of faculty, and the college president. In recent years, the committee has also assumed responsibility for planning Class and Charter Day activities.

Martin sees the committee as "a forum for student organizations where they can discuss common problems, share ideas about programming, and collaborate on events."

Stressing the enormous potential of the CCC to bring the campus together to work for solutions to problems facing the campus, Bead added that "right now, there is not a lot of talk going on between groups; they don't know about the connections that can be made [through the CCC].

Echoing this crucial deficiency, Kurt Mangold '02, last year's CCC Chair, believes the lack of participation stems from ambiguity about the position.

"The problem is no one knows anything about it and what it does," said Mangold. "Many students see little incentive to attend and enforcement of attendance policies is difficult."

Every recognized student organization is required to send one representative, preferably its leader, to all meetings of the CCC. Failure to do so can result in sanctions ranging from suspension of voting privileges at meetings to loss of funding from SA, but enforcement has not been practical with so little participation.

Student Assembly President Ray Ash '02 characterized the CCC as a "work in progress" and said that it has been difficult to support.

Martin explained that since her election as chair at the end of the fall semester, she has received very little support from the heads of student organizations. Attendance at the four meetings of the committee has averaged between five and ten students.

Assistant Director of Student Activities Lisa Magnarelli, who serves as advisor to the group suggested that the lack of participation stems from the fact that "the CCC was not active at the beginning of the academic year, so it was not engrained in organization leaders that it is so important."

This late start also seems to be hindering the CCC's ability to secure financial backing from Student Assembly or other sources, such as college offices.

"Around midyear, Student Assembly realizes that they need a CCC Chair, so they have an election, but by then its too late get any money," said Mangold.

Mangold reports having gotten funding from the President's Office last year, but Martin has encountered difficulties with that route as well.

"Because no one knows about the CCC, many college offices have not understood my request for funding," said Martin.

Director of Student Activities Bev Low said that the CCC has been in existence at least as long as her tenure at the college and described it as "the grassroots arm of the Student Assembly." She acknowledged, however, that for a variety of reasons the importance and effectiveness of the committee has declined in recent years.

"Transitions between the chairs and also in this office [student activities] have hurt the CCC, as well as the difficulty in gathering together all the organization representatives," Low explained.

Noting the proliferation of e-mail usage and other ways to communicate Low believes that "we need to examine the CCC to see if it is still the best vehicle."

Student Assembly Publicity Chair Matt Eng '02 suggests a complete overhaul of the CCC. He would pare it down to a five-member board that would focus more effectively on the mission of the CCC. Mangold also believes major changes may be needed.

"The Student Assembly Constitution either needs to be supported or the constitution needs to be changed because right now it's a very ambiguous role," he said.

Both Mangold and Martin concluded that improvements depend on two things. First, the

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33 Sophomores left out of housing lottery

by Christopher LaRosa '03
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Thirty-three members of the class of 2003 did not receive numbers in their mailboxes during the distribution of housing lottery numbers on Friday, April 20. The cause of the omissions has not been explicitly identified, said Residential Life Area Coordinator Bryan McGrath; however, residential life does believe the error was partially due to the use of a new computer system.

"We distributed the numbers at four o'clock, and by four fifteen we had four or five people in the office saying they didn't get numbers," said McGrath.

Usually one or two students do not receive numbers because of late registration, said McGrath, but it quickly became clear to Residential Life that many people who didn't receive their numbers should have.

To assign numbers to students missed during the original distribution, each person who did not receive a number went to the Residential Life Office and was asked to give the staff a five-digit number. The number was plugged into a mathematical formula involving the number of students in the class and the five-digit number provided by the student. The number resulting from the formula became the student's lottery number.

The formula used did not allow people with strong mathematical abilities to manipulate the system, McGrath said.

To accommodate the students without numbers, half-step lottery numbers were assigned. A student whose number was calculated to be 136 was assigned 136.5.

This year's housing lottery should provide more options to more students in comparison to last year's. Last year's abnormally large rising sophomore class of approximately 520 students constrained housing options. This year, however, there is a smaller rising sophomore class, and many rising juniors are planning to study abroad; the housing strain should be somewhat alleviated.

McGrath advised students to approach the housing lottery with an open-mind and a level head. "Everybody panics (about the housing lottery), and it's really only three minutes of your life. Students need to be realistic. Don't go in with just a Plan A."

Examining what is available in all buildings can be advantageous, McGrath said, citing that many times buildings are completely over-looked by most students. Last year an all male six-pull in Dunham was still available to numbers over 150 in the sophomore class, said McGrath.

This year's housing lottery will be held in the Annex. Rising seniors select rooms beginning at 9 a.m., rising sophomores begin selecting rooms at 3 p.m. and, rising sophomores begin selecting rooms at 6 p.m.

IVORY TOWERS

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

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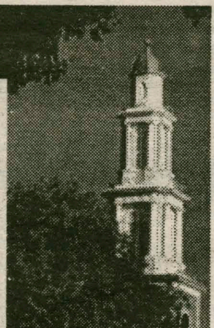

Admission rates drop across Ivy League

(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA — Students around the world with aspirations of scaling the Ivy wall may have to strive a little harder as admission rates hit record lows this year.

Harvard University made the most stringent selections this year, admitting only 10.7 percent of their applicants to next year's class.

Class of 2005 hopefuls also faced tougher odds at University of Pennsylvania, Yale, Cornell, Princeton, Columbia and Brown universities, which all offered acceptances at lower rates than last year.

Dartmouth College, which had seen fewer applicants over the past few years, admitted at a greater rate this year.

Penn accepted a record-low 21.5 percent, or 4,124 of its 19,150 applicants this year. The acceptance rate for regular decision applicants was even lower at 18.2 percent. This is a significant change from last year when Penn admitted 22.9 percent of all applicants and 20 percent of regular decision applicants.

"In the past few years we've been getting a little more selective every year," Penn Dean of Admissions Lee Stetson said.

Harvard, which received 19,009 applications, admitted 2,042 students, making it the most selective of the Ivy League schools. As over half of next year's class was accepted early, the regular decision acceptance rate was 10.6 percent, slightly lower than the overall rate.

Nation's capital celebrates fifth annual Youth Pride Day

U-WIRE Washington — Hundreds of youths kicked back in Washington, D.C.'s Rock Creek Park Saturday afternoon, listening to tunes, watching flamboyant stage performers and celebrating their right to live, love and be loved.

The event, organized by Youth Pride Alliance, focused on promoting sexual freedom and high self-esteem in a world filled with hate crimes for gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender individuals under the age of 24.

"So often you feel alone," Annet Isa, one of the three co-chairs for Youth Pride Day 2001 and arts editor of Eros magazine, told U-WIRE. "We're giving you a chance not to feel alone, and come to a place where you are automatically loved. It's one gigantic family."

"A lot of people think you are born an activist," said Frank Salamone, the president of Georgetown University Pride and event co-chair. "That's not necessarily true. We all had to come to terms with our sexuality, realize that we are queer, and get ourselves to where we are today."

Author explores ramifications of draft dodging

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. — The Badlands of Western Nebraska. Beautiful, sunny Miami. The frigid earth of Canada. Jack Todd has been around, but it hasn't always been by choice.

In January 1970, Todd decided to leave his home country, and his military service request from the U.S. government during the Vietnam War, behind and establish himself in Canada without any advanced legal documentation.

He dodged the draft. And more than 30 years later, he's written a book about his experiences titled "Desertion."

The book is a written testament of his life not only as a draft dodger, but as a small town kid growing up in rural Nebraska who constantly struggled with his own moral values and those of his country.

He attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln on a track scholarship in the late 1960s and was an editor at the Daily Nebraskan.

After UNL, the Scottsbluff native worked for the Miami Herald after graduating with a journalism degree.

Then he got his draft notice.

While trying to make it through boot camp at Fort Lewis in Washington, training for a war he didn't believe in, Todd made the decision that changed his life.

WORLD NEWS

Compiled by Will Fuhrman '04

Ukraine's parliament ousts premier

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — The Communist-dominated parliament voted Thursday to dismiss reform-oriented Prime Minister Viktor Yushchenko and his government, plunging the nation into political chaos.

AP

Police block protesters outside the parliament building of Kiev.

The ouster of the most successful Cabinet since Ukraine gained independence in 1991 is likely to slow reforms in this largely impoverished country and damage its international standing.

The former Soviet republic has already been rocked by a monthslong political crisis sparked by the disappearance of a critical journalist and allegations of President Leonid Kuchma's involvement in his killing.

The parliament, or Verkhovna Rada, voted 263-69 to approve a Communist-sponsored resolution accusing Yushchenko's government of failing to improve the economy and leading the country to ruin. The Cabinet will become a caretaker government for up to 60 days, until a new government is formed.

Sharp slowdown in global growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — The global economy will slow significantly this year and could face even greater problems if the U.S. economy weakens further, the International Monetary Fund said Thursday in a sober assessment of world conditions.

The forecast represented a sharp markdown in growth projections since September, and the international lending agency cautioned that even the lower figure may prove too optimistic.

"The prospects for global growth have weakened considerably, led by a marked slowdown in the United States, a stalling recovery in Japan and moderating growth in Europe and a number of emerging market countries," the IMF said in its new World Economic Outlook.

The IMF projected that the global economy would expand this year by 3.2 percent, a full percentage point lower than it forecast in its last economic outlook in September.

The new forecast was released as the 183-nation IMF and its sister lending organization, the World Bank, prepared for joint spring meetings. Officials were hoping the sessions would attract fewer protesters than a year ago, when police arrested more than 1,300 who clogged intersections around the IMF and World Bank headquarters near the White House.

China attacks Bush over Taiwan

BEIJING (AP) — A "strongly indignant" China on Thursday accused President Bush of further damaging already strained ties with his blunt warnings about America's will to defend Taiwan.

AP

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue.

"There is only one China in the world. Taiwan is part of China. It is not a protectorate of any foreign country," Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue said at a news conference.

"The Chinese government and people are strongly indignant and opposed" to Bush's comments, Zhang said.

Zhang noted that Bush's "mistaken remarks" came on the heels of an American offer Tuesday of arms to Taiwan, which China strongly opposes.

"This shows that it has drifted further on a dangerous road," Zhang said, referring to the United States.

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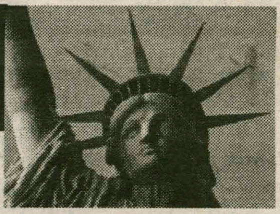


Feds want to move Vieques case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department wants to transfer a lawsuit seeking to halt the Navy from resuming bombing exercises on Vieques island to a federal court in Puerto Rico, where similar efforts have been defeated.

U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler is being asked by the government of Puerto Rico to issue a temporary injunction to prevent the naval drills, which it maintains threaten public health and violate a newly enacted anti-noise law.

But the Justice Department has requested the case be transferred from Washington to U.S. District Court in Puerto Rico, where private lawsuits are pending.

A last-minute exchange of court documents Wednesday — including the Justice Department's transfer request — prompted Kessler to postpone a ruling until Thursday.

The Navy has said it could resume training exercises on Vieques as early as Friday.

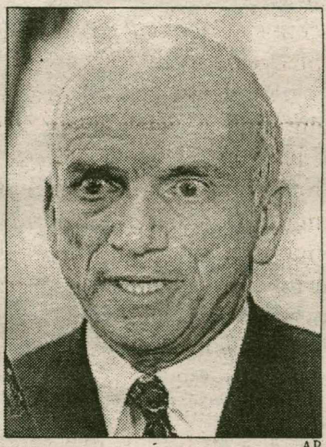
Puerto Rico filed its complaint Tuesday after its governor signed legislation banning loud noises along the island's shores. The new law cites the U.S. Noise Control Act of 1972, which allows states — or, as in Puerto Rico's case, U.S. territories — to set noise-control laws.

The Justice Department urged the court to deny the motion, saying the law cannot be applied to noises produced by military weapons.

"The act was designed solely to stop the United States military training at Vieques," said John Cruden, acting assistant attorney general, in a motion filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court here.

Tourist set to visit space station

WASHINGTON (AP) — An American tycoon who offered the Russians $20 million if they'd fly him to the international space station will get his wish this weekend when he's rocketed into orbit on a dream-come-true adventure.



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Dennis Tito is shown in this June 19 file photo.

NASA officials are not pleased, but they agreed, reluctantly, to the trip after wringing a few concessions from the Russians: The high-flying tourist, Dennis Tito, a California engineer and financier, will be carefully supervised and generally restricted to the Russian side of the station. And if he breaks anything, he pays.

NASA had strenuously objected to the Russians independently selling a space station trip to Tito. But, in the end, the U.S. agreed, along with the other international space station partners, Japan, Canada, Russia and the European Space Agency.

Calif. Court Rejects Simpson Appeal

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The California Supreme Court on Wednesday rejected O.J. Simpson's bid to overturn the $33.5 million civil court judgment against him for the deaths of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

None of the justices voted to review Simpson's appeal.

The former football star was acquitted of criminal charges in the case in 1995. He was then sued for wrongful death by the victims' survivors, found liable for the killings and ordered to pay $33.5 million in damages.

Simpson, who has said he can't afford to pay the sum, had asked the Supreme Court to reverse the judgment, saying the civil case was "built on top of a failed prosecution, a prosecution which was suspect for corruption, fraud, contamination, coercion and collusion."

Contacted at his Florida home, Simpson said he intends to take his appeal to the federal courts, perhaps as high as the U.S. Supreme Court.

Student Damage Report

location	task	date	cost
Eells Residential Hall	Basement - Genreral Carpentry	4/25/2001	$331.96
Annex A	Repair Heater	4/25/2001	$161.28
Eells	Repair Exit Light	4/25/2001	$32.58
Bundy	Patch Walls	4/25/2001	$87.82
South	Light Repair	4/25/2001	$140.21
Major	Electrical Repairs	4/25/2001	$49.17
Milbank Residence	Replace Fire Extinguisher	4/25/2001	$6.94
Milbank Residence Hall	Replace Fire Extinguisher	4/25/2001	$6.94
Kirkland	Replace Fire Extinguisher	4/25/2001	$6.94
Bundy Dinining	General Carpentry Work	4/25/2001	$136.88
Sage Rink	Replace Fire Extinguisher	4/25/2001	$6.94
Milbank	Window Repair	4/25/2001	$16.29
General Campus	Electrical Repairs	4/24/2001	$17.92
Bundy Dining Hall	Window Repair	4/24/2001	$16.29
Milbank	Electrical Repairs	4/24/2001	$17.92
Eells	Shower Repair	4/24/2001	$16.29
Major Residence Hall	Window Repair	4/24/2001	$397.67
Milbank	Clean Up Vomit	4/24/2001	$13.88
Ferguson	Door Won't Close	4/24/2001	$67.86
General Campus	Masonry	4/24/2001	$260.64
McIntosh	Vomit Clean Up	4/24/2001	$15.00
Major	General	4/24/2001	$11.14
North	Replace Fire Extinguisher	4/24/2001	$20.94
TDX	General Carpentry	4/24/2001	$16.29
Annex	GENERAL	4/23/2001	$0.00
Eells	Vomit Clean Up	4/23/2001	$16.71
Carnegie	Clean up fire extinguisher	4/23/2001	$116.97
Eells	General		
Dunham	Window Repair	4/23/2001	$52.92
General Campus	Electrical Repairs	4/23/2001	$194.94
Beinecke Student Activity Village	Windows Repair	4/23/2001	$81.45
Milbank	Doors Interior	4/23/2001	$17.64
South	Windows Interior	4/23/2001	$35.28
Milbank	Repair Stall Dividers	4/23/2001	$43.35
Bundy Dining Hall	General Carpentry	4/20/2001	$532.73
Minor	Windows Repair	4/20/2001	$142.14
South	Windows Repair	4/20/2001	$41.86
Bundy East	General	4/20/2001	$105.76
TDX	furniture repair	4/20/2001	$0.00
Eells - Student Room	Patch Walls	4/20/2001	$135.79
Eells - Student Room	Door won't close	4/20/2001	$97.74
Beinecke	Repair/Replace Clocks	4/20/2001	$50.41
McEwen	Repair Broken Lamp	4/20/2001	$278.01
Bundy East	Window Repair	4/20/2001	$33.93
Kirkland	furniture repair	4/20/2001	$143.94
List Art Center	Window Repair	4/20/2001	$121.94
Alumni Gymnasium	Window Repair	4/20/2001	$36.30
Alumni Gymnasium	electrical repairs	4/20/2001	$232.96
Minor	window repair	4/20/2001	$16.29
Carnegie	Light Won't Work	4/20/2001	$17.92
Carniegie	Electrical	4/20/2001	$124.29
Commons Dining Hall	Repair Screen	4/20/2001	$16.29
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Damage continues to plague campus, costs to students rise

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After the 1995 increase in vandalism, students had to stand up before the damage decreased. "Students essentially had to riot and say, 'Stop breaking things,' before it died down," said Low.

In addition to the larger, more visible acts of vandalism on campus, many smaller items can add up. Exit signs, fire extinguishers, holes punched in walls, and paper towel dispensers all get broken on a weekly basis.

"They're [towel dispensers] not much individually, but when you have to replace 15 or 16 every weekend, it's like flushing money down the toilet," said Low.

The repeated damage to the same items also frustrates faculty and staff members, said Low. "Some of us who work here are sick and tired of picking up after you."

"It's disheartening to fix the same things again and again," says Poccia, who also pointed out that, because of renovation and building expansions, the area Physical Plant workers have to cover each year increases, while the number of workers remains relatively constant.

Prevention of damage becomes a tricky issue because many students don't know who is responsible for the damage or do not feel comfortable pointing the finger at fellow students. "Nine out of ten times someone knows who it is," says Assistant Director of Campus Safety Wayne Genteel. "I don't blame them. It's a hard thing to do, but that means that everyone has to bear the brunt of the expense."

Genteel says that increased patrols and visibility of campus safety may help to curb the damage. He also credits the RAs for doing a "tremendous job on their end."

While these steps do help prevent some of the damage, Low says that the college cannot be held responsible for eliminating all of the damage on campus. "The college isn't going into the surveillance business. They're not going to install video cameras by all the light posts."

She says that a large part of the solution to the problem lies with students. "Prevention comes from someone saying, 'Hey, I saw Joe Blow pull that light post down.' In order to curb the damage, people have to get caught."

Low says that it seems like the acts of vandalism are simply accepted by other students. "It's you guys who live there. That's your town right now. Take care of it."

This Week In Hamilton History

Compiled by Matthew Speer '03
STAFF CARTOONIST

25 YEARS AGO
April 23, 1978

HAMILTON TITLE IX COMMITTEE FORMED

An Ad Hoc Committee on equal opportunity has been formed at Hamilton to conduct a self-study to determine areas of non-compliance with Title IX, the federal regulation prohibiting sex bias in educational institutions, according to Carol Locke, assistant to President Carovano and coordinator of Hamilton's efforts to comply with Title IX. Title IX, issued last fall, aims to achieve sexual equality in three areas of education: admissions, social and economic treatment, and employment. Hamilton, as a single sex institution, is exempted from the first.

Locke said that, for the most part, only minor changes will need to be made at Hamilton, some of which have already been put into effect. "Title IX is not a big stick on this campus, but it's a very useful lever," Locke said.

STAG PARTY DISRUPTS CAMPUS

A stag party for a member of the DKE fraternity, illegally held in the Pub late Sunday night, evolved into a fireworks throwing, obscenity-chanting session outside of Carnegie dormitory. The trouble began shortly after 1:00 a.m. when students projected excerpts from "Deep Throat," an X-rated film, on the Pub wall, said Hamilton Dean of Students Gordon Bingham. Several beer bottles were broken in the Pub, but the crowd calmed down when asked by the bartender, said Bingham. The crowd left the Pub and proceeded to Carnegie dorm, when, after much commotion, including police involvement, it dispersed around 3:00 a.m.

DESPITE NEW DIVERSITY, OLD IMAGES LINGER

Stereotypes between Hamilton and Kirkland are persistent despite the fact that both colleges are becoming more diversified than at any time in the past. Claims one Kirkland student, "At Hamilton the guys are so intensely degree-oriented, I'd like to think they're not all grinds, but the system there sort of fosters it." At Hamilton, the "artsy-fartsy" put-down of Kirkland is not rare in casual conversation. "Most people over there don't seem too smart," says a Hamilton freshman. "Kirkland students complain that Hamilton men are uninteresting, immature, and out-of-touch," says Clinical psychologist Dr. Donald T. Muilenberg. "Then Hamilton students find the women not-too-bright and claim they don't take life seriously."

18 YEARS AGO
April 29, 1983

LEADING ECONOMIST GALBRAITH TO LECTURE

John Kenneth Galbraith, a leading economist and author, will deliver a public lecture at Hamilton College on Monday, May 2. Galbraith's topic will be "Capitalism in the Age of Organization." Galbraith was deputy administrator of the Office of Price Administration in the early 1940s and principally organized the wartime system of price control, which he headed until 1943. He later held other public offices and was awarded the Medal of Freedom by President Harry S. Truman. An early supporter of John F. Kennedy, Galbraith also served on the campaign staff of Adlai Stevenson in 1952 and 1956 and was the U.S. Ambassador to India from 1961 to 1963. Galbraith has played an active role in the formation of economic policies of the American government.

AWARENESS SEMINAR ENLIGHTENS MANY

On Saturday, April 23, Charles H. King, president of the Urban Crisis center in Atlanta, Georgia, conducted a Race Awareness Seminar at Bristol Campus Center. The seminar, sponsored by the Black and Latin Student Union and the Root-Jessup Public Affairs council, was attended by students from Hamilton and other local colleges and a few administrators. Sandy Smith, coordinator, had hoped that more administrators and faculty would attend but feels that the four hour time commitment might have scared some people away-especially on an unusually sunny weekend.

THEATER AND DANCE SHAKEDOWN DISCUSSED

The opening tonight of the theater and dance department's spring production, The Waste Land, directed by visiting instructor Zbigniew Cynkutis, comes at a time when the role of the performing arts on the Hill is being debated by Hamilton's administration and faculty. On April 4 the administration questioned the necessity of three of the faculty positions in the theater and dance department. In a department that only consists of a department head, two directors, one designer, and three dance instructors, logic dictates that removing positions becomes an impossibility; a dance program and major become tokens in a department of only one director and two dance instructors.

Parking crunch yields record ticket revenues

by Peter Ringel
Senior Editor

The Spectator has learned that Campus Safety issued a record number of parking tickets this year. According to Gilles Lauzon, Assistant Controller, the college has already billed students more than $83,000 in tickets through March of this year.

The parking problem was detailed in last week's Spectator, as more students than ever before have cars on campus. Vice President of Administration and Finance Daniel J. O'Leary acknowledged that Hamilton, like many other colleges and universities across the country, has a "perceived parking problem." O'Leary explained that the college is looking for solutions to the parking crunch, but the administration has no current plans to build more parking lots.

The amount of money the college has received from parking tickets has increased over the last four years. In 1997-1998 the college billed students for $69,300 in parking tickets, while in 1998-1999 that amount increased to $73,500. However, the most dramatic increase has happened over the last two years. This year's tally represents an increase of $7,000 over last year's total of $76,000 in parking tickets.

Lauzon attributes the increase to a number of factors. "There is an increased number of cars on campus, and many students have failed to register their vehicles," said the assistant controller. "There has also been more diligence on Campus Safety's part in ticketing."

The deficit of parking spaces has not only led to more tickets issued to students but also affected faculty and staff members. Music Department Chair Sam Pellman on Wednesday issued an all-campus e-mail regarding complaints from faculty in his department over the past few days regarding the difficulty of finding a parking place in the Root lot.

He went on to urge members of the community to be more thoughtful about where they park. "It is more than a matter of respect for us; it is beginning to interfere with the educational mission of my department," added Pellman.

"I suspect that most of the students who are parking where they shouldn't are probably unaware of the extent to which the people who work here are upset by this," said Pellman.

Pellman added that he had received several supportive messages from co-workers within minutes of the posting and believes "it most certainly is having an effect on the morale of faculty and staff."

Students remain frustrated over what seems like a problem with no immediate solution. "This situation could easily be solved by distributing as many parking passes as there are spaces," suggested Scott Nussbaum '01. "As it stands, the situation is very frustrating. Most Campus Safety people respond to criticism by reminding us that this isn't the only campus that has parking problems. I don't understand why the school just doesn't build more parking."

Jim McCarthy '01 believes that Campus Safety Officers are getting a raw deal when it comes to students' dissatisfaction with the parking situation. "Parking tickets serve as the primary reason behind the adversarial relationship between students and Campus Safety Officers. [They] are good people, but they are forced to follow orders about handing out tickets," he said.

The college appears to have

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J-Board elections upheld after hearing

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motive, Miller characterized his decision as motivated by "completely voluntary and personal reasons." Peltz confirmed that no laws were breeched by Miller.

Weinstein expressed her gratitude to the student body, and her enthusiasm for the upcoming year. She served as a J-Board Representative during her sophomore year, and mostly recently as the Chair of the J-Board. In examining the claim that seniors had received the right to vote, the Assembly also expressed concern that the entire student body is not able to vote in the election for this crucial judicial position. Regardless of whether outgoing seniors can vote, incoming freshmen are still not properly represented because the J-Board Chair election takes place in the spring. However, if the election were held in the Fall, much time would be lost as the J-Board Chair - Elect underwent the training that he/she would require. Clearly, this is will be a question that the community must address in the future.

The election for the Presidents of the Classes of 2002-4 was also held on Wednesday and proceeded without difficulty. Lauren Reynolds '02 and Maurice Michaane '03 were re-elected and JJFJFJ'04.

Kirkland summer associates explore contemporary social issues

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viewing eight Sudanese men, he found it difficult to unconditionally condemn the practice, noting that it is not considered morally wrong in its cultural context, despite what outsiders think of the practice. Outside of the issue of clitorectomy itself, the presentation raised the question of whether there are universal values that are wrong to people of all cultures, or whether values are subjective.

The Research Associate program is one part of the Kirkland Project, which was founded in 1996. The Project is the College's primary effort toward diversity awareness in the Hamilton community. Named after the former Kirkland College, it receives funding from various sources, including the Kirkland Endowment, Dean of Faculty, Office of the President, and alumni gifts.

Other Kirkland Project services include the Service Associates program, which provides students with a $3,000 stipend to work on a summer internship at a non-profit agency; grants stipends for teaching assistants for College 130, and brings Artists-in-Residence to Hamilton for several days or weeks. The Project also sponsors Brown Bag Lunches, which are informal lunchtime talks by faculty members. Each year the Project has a theme; this year's "Southern Accents" series brought, among others, writer Dorothy Allison and storyteller John O'Neal to campus. The 2001-2002 series will bring speakers on the subject of "The Body" The Kirkland Project developed the curriculum for College 130 and is pursuing a curriculum grant to develop a sophomore seminar course about social movements.

Ultimately, the Kirkland Project's mission is to prepare Hamilton students to live in an increasingly more complex and diverse world, and also to encourage study of race, gender, class, and sexuality issues. In doing so it continues the Kirkland legacy and benefits the Hamilton community as a whole.

Honor court proposes removable XF

by Sarah Karalunas '04
News Editor

Students will vote on the first proposed changes to the honor code since 1993 on Wednesday, May 2, 2001 in Beinecke Village. If approved, the proposal will change the way an "XF," the grade that Honor Court members can assign for academic dishonesty, affects a student's transcript.

"Hamilton is one of the only schools with a permanent mark as the only option for punishing academic dishonesty," said Honor Court Chair Mark Azzolino.

Currently, a grade of "XF" remains a permanent mark on students' transcripts and is averaged into their GPA as an FF (40). The proposal, already approved unanimously by Honor Court members and the Student Assembly, would allow for the grade and all record of the course to be removed from the transcript. The GPA would be adjusted as if the course had never been taken.

"The court had a very hard time assigning 'XFs'" said Mark Bailey, one of the faculty members on the Honor Court. Bailey explained the problems that arose when the Court assigned 450 hours of community service as a punishment instead of the permanent "XF." In those situations the Honor Court could remove the student from the class, and his/her transcript would show that s/he had been removed for academic dishonesty. On the other hand, if they left the student in the class, the professor would have to determine the student's grade, a difficult thing to do depending on the type of violation committed.

Under the proposed amendment, in order to have the grade removed, students would have to show that they have "undertaken activities to help them become academically responsible," explained Azzolino in an e-mail to the Spectator. There are no specific requirements that students need to meet to have the grade removed. Instead, says Azzolino, the hope is that each student would meet periodically with a dean and the Honor Court chair and design a program that fits his/her individual case.

"We don't want to set up artificial barriers, and we don't want to limit creativity," said Bailey.

Azzolino provided one example of how the new policy might be applied, saying that students who said they had plagiarized because they had too much work to do in one night might enroll in a time management programs and meet with professors.

"It's vague because 20 years down the road we want people to be able to apply it even though things will have changed," said Azzolino.

Members of the Honor Court believe that the removable "XF" would provide a better alternative than the 450 hours of community service. Azzolino said, "We don't expect anyone to put 450 hours worth of work into this."

If approved by the student body on May 2, the proposal would go to the faculty for the final approval. They would vote on May 15 at the next faculty meeting, said Azzolino. Once approved, the change would go into immediate effect.

"It depends on their level of initiative whether it [the XF] remains or not," said Bailey.

The following is a copy of the proposed amendment to the Honor Code:

4. Sanctions

a. (3)

In unusual circumstances, the Honor Court, during deliberations, may decide that the "XF" is removable. Such an "XF" is not necessarily or automatically removed from the student's transcript. Rather, it is intended to offer the student the opportunity to demonstrate to the court that he/she has learned from his/her violation of the Honor Code. It is the sole responsibility of the student to demonstrate to the Honor Court that he/she has earned reconsideration of their "XF."

The Honor Court may only consider the removable "XF" under the following conditions:

a. The violation is the student's first, and

b. The student may not be a senior in the College, and only under rare circumstances will students be considered for a removable "XF" after their fourth semester at the College.

In order to have a removable "XF" removed from the transcript, the student must accomplish the following:

a. The student must demonstrate to the College community that he or she has developed a high standard of academic and personal integrity. Subsequent disciplinary action a quorum of the Judicial Board or a quorum of the Sexual Harassment Grievance Board makes the XF permanent;

b. The student must appeal to the Honor Court in writing two months before their proposed graduation from the College to have the "XF" removed. A successful appeal must describe how the student's subsequent activities address the circumstances for which the student earned the "XF." The statement should describe how the activities they have undertaken have helped them become academically responsible and improve their intellectual integrity. The student will be required to appear before the Honor Court to answer questions about their written statement;

c. A student may only apply to the Honor Court once to have their "XF" removed. However, the student is encouraged to schedule periodic meetings with the appropriate Dean and the Honor Court Chair to seek guidance about how to pursue the removal of the "XF." The ultimate decision to remove the notation "XF", however, rests in the Honor Court.

In the event that the Honor Court decides to remove a removable "XF" from the student's transcript, the course and "XF" notation will be removed from the transcript. The course will then not contribute to the student's cumulative average.

Ticket revenues on the rise

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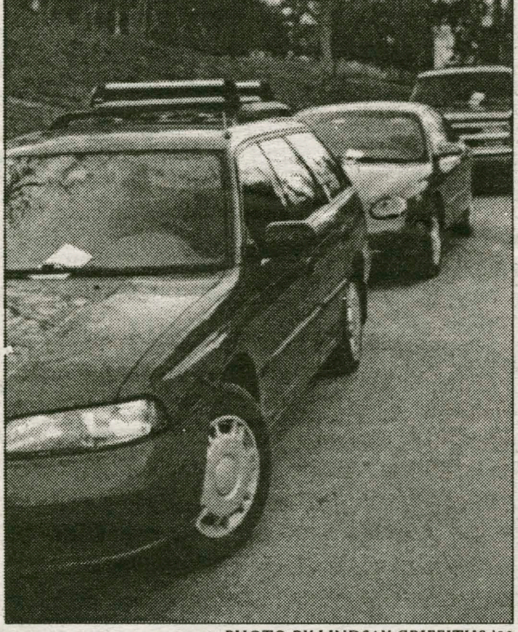
no short-term solution to appeasing frustrated faculty and students. Campus Safety said that officers would continue to issue tickets to students who park illegally. There are some students who believe that the administration, in conjunction with Campus Safety, needs to institute more severe penalties to deter students who have long been unafraid of racking up an infinite number of tickets.



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Campus saftey strikes again.

"I think that the school should create a rule or policy which states that a student will lose his or her parking privileges if they rack up, say, five parking tickets in one semester," said one student, who asked not to be identified. "I know there are a lot of students like me who think it's wrong that many kids are just ignoring tickets and disrespecting campus safety officers. I think the college needs to tow repeat offenders' cars and maybe make the judicial board more active in punishing students who accumulate numerous tickets."

However, one student believes that students should not be ticketed as much as they have been in recent years.

"Campus safety tickets too much. We pay over $33,000 dollars a year to go to school here, and we should be able to park near our classes and near our dorms," said Mark DeVito '03.

"If students parked where they were supposed to park or where they were issued spots, they would not be ticketed," said Marie Goodman, office assistant for Campus Safety.

Changes needed for CCC

from CCC, page 2

Chair must take office in the beginning of the fall semester. Second, Student Assembly must give the CCC more support.

At a meeting of the CCC last Thursday, three organizations had representatives present. La Vanguardia President Vanessa LeBron '02 expressed disappointment about the poor turnout.

"Student Assembly must decide what the CCC should be doing and then take it more seriously," LeBron said.

Another student at the meeting, Samantha Sheller '02, President of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, said that "ultimately, the success of the CCC will come down to the willingness of student leaders to come together and realize that by bringing so many leaders together, they can, in a sense, connect all students."

Amid protest historic free trade agreement reached in Quebec

by Mithat Yaltir '03
NEWS WRITER

Leaders from 34 nations in the Western Hemisphere gathered in Quebec earlier this week and signed the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) agreement. The FTAA ultimately will open markets in all participating countries and lift all restrictions on trade, such as tariffs and quotas. The agreement came as protestors concerned about environmental and labor protections demonstrated visibly outside the meeting facilities. Agreeing that demociracy plays a crucial role in free-market economies and wanting to promote freedom within the region, leaders included a clause as an enforcement measure that will revoke the rights of a nation if it abandons democracy.

Many leaders in attendance praised the summit and its achievements. President Bush said that the summit was trying to establish a region of 800 million people "that is both prosperous and free." Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien, the host of the summit, promised that the free-trade zone "will assure a higher standard of living and a better quality of life for all peoples in the hemisphere."

Although the leaders stressed the potential benefits resulting from their agreement, it also attracted the attention of thousands of protestors as well. Much like the protests during the World Trade Organization's meeting last year in Seattle WA, some demonstrators found themselves embroiled in a clash with Canadian Police. A group surged against the fence surrounding the summit headquarters with chains, sticks, and bottles. Police in riot gear responded by using tear gas and sending in officers wearing helmets and using riot shields. Water cannons and rubber bullets were also used to repel the protestors. Three days of clashes resulted in the injury of 60 people, including 45 protestors, and five officers. Many people, including members of the press, suffered minor injuries. Officers arrested hundreds of people.

US-based protestors oppose such an agreement because they view the FTAA as an expansion of NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement), which, according to them, has proved to be a disaster. The protestors believe that the NAFTA merely enabled large corporations to move production from the US to Mexico, where environmental and labor laws are less strictly enforced. This allows them to reduce labor cost through lower wages. In addition to low wages for the workers, these corporations benefit by the less strict environmental laws outside the US.

Protestors from South America mainly fear that such an agreement will simply allow rich countries greater access into their markets. One objection both groups share is about the way this summit was conducted. They accuse the leaders of discussing a matter that is likely to change the lives of millions behind closed doors.

The summit in Quebec represents the most recent step toward establishing such a trade zone. An important earlier first step in this process was the meeting held in Miami in 1994, which gathered leaders of many nations from the Americas. President Clinton proposed a summit of presidents in order to discuss issues including consolidation of democracy, growth of trade, job creatio,and human rights. Four years later in 1998, all the Heads of State of the Americas met again in Santiago, Chile. This second summit focused on eradication of poverty, economic integration, and free trade. These two meetings lead to some progress and the leaders finally met in Quebec.

Democratic Representative of Michigan Sander M. Levin expressed concern about the impact the free trade agreement might have on labor laws and the environment. "You can't stop globalization. You have to shape it. And those who come across as trying to stop globalization aren't winning," Levin said. Levin also pointed out that "[we] have to address the new labor and environmental issues that are involved in it." The main concern people have against free trade is the possibility that corporations may take advantage of weak environmental and labor laws, resulting in violation of wage laws and pollution. President Bush made it clear that he is aware of these problems. When asked, he responded, "We should not allow [labor and environmental] codicils to destroy the spirit of free trade."

Critics of the agreement likened it to playing "three dimensional chess" due to the complexity of the issues that need to be addressed. Supporters, however, believe that significant steps have been taken toward integration of markets into one. As President Bush pointed out, "[summit] is a remarkable achievement, one that would have been unthinkable just 15 years ago." The driving force behind the FTAA is the competition from the Far East, which is likely to push the leaders more toward establishing the FTAA.

Student Assembly Notes 4/23

by Lauren Reynolds '02
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

• We debated the logistics of this year's election for J-Board chair, and about the ambiguity of the current constitution. In the end, the assembly voted in favor of Sarah Weinstien '02 as Judicial Board Chair for 2001- 2.

• Student Assembly also voted in favor of the Honor Court's proposal to introduce an "XF" as a possible reprimand. This will be up to the student body to vote on sometime soon.

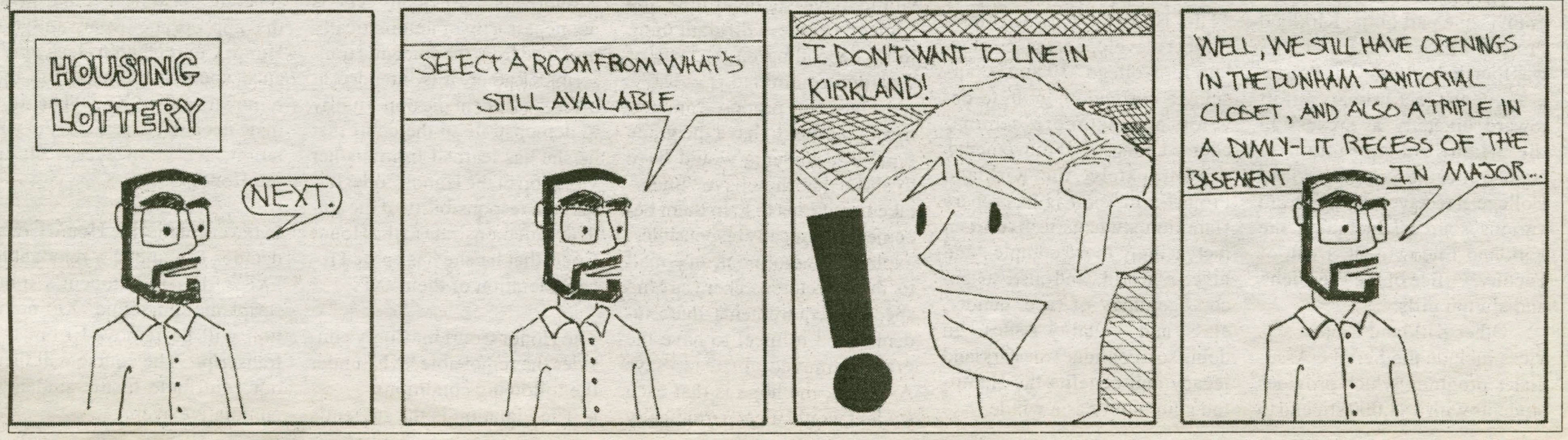
• Student / faculty lunch day - May 1st. Invite your favorite professor; contact Seth O'Bryan '01 for more details.

• Bev Low spoke about the drastic increase in campus damage; studies show that only 5% of the population takes part in the destruction, yet we are all victims of it. She encouraged all students to take an active stance and use outlets such as the anonymous tip line to stop the destruction.

• The results of the recent feasibility report will be announced at a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, April 30th at 8pm in the Annex.

• Join the senior class at the AIDS Hike for Life on Minor Field. Registration begins at 9am and the walk through the glen begins at 11am.

Liberal Art - by Matthew Speer '03



Editorial

In 1971 Secretary-General of the United Nations U Thant declared the vernal equinox an international holiday: Earth Day. In 1975 President Gerald Ford declared Earth Day a national holiday as well, further stressing environmental responsibility in the United States. Earth Day passed last Sunday, leaving the *Spectator* Editorial Board with a feeling of failure.

Very little has been done to curtail excess energy consumption and waste production here on the Hill since visionaries such as Margaret Mead and John McConnell saw the growing importance of environmental responsibility in the early 1970s.

At college-sponsored events students and staff dispose of hundreds of soda , cardboard boxes, and plastic tablecloths in common receptacles. Recycling options at school picnics are non-existent. During the winter months, which represent the bulk of our time here, students open their windows to counteract thermostats stuck at 95 degrees.

Keeping energy consumption in check will come at a cost. Replacing thermostats in existing buildings, resealing inefficient windows, and ensuring energy efficiency in future construction and renovation projects, including the new science building, should be a top priority.

In its lack of energy and waste policies, the college's behavior is like that of a student smashing an empty bottle on Martin's way, knowing that someone else will clean up his mess in the morning. Hamilton is leaving its mark not on Martin's way, but on our oceans, air, and forests. While we won't be feeling the results of our actions tomorrow morning, we will likely be feeling them by our ten-year reunions in the form of a lower quality of life.

Chances are that life on the Hill will still be picturesque several years from now. But life for parents of asthmatic children won't be any better off because of our irresponsible energy use, which has degraded air quality. People whose favorite forests have fallen victim to acid rain and deforestation won't think that what we are doing today is acceptable, and those whose recreation is impeded by polluted rivers and lakes will yearn for a second chance.

It is impossible to live without leaving an impact on Earth, but taking steps to become an environmentally responsible institution is not difficult. Considering that we spend thousands of dollars on purely cosmetic upgrades around campus, the cost of properly labeled, properly collected, and easily accessible recycling receptacles is not out of line. In light of the millions of dollars we spend on heating oil, a half-million dollar campaign to fix thermostats and heating systems and insulate windows is not unreasonable, it is responsible.

This year, Connecticut College announced that all of its electricity will come entirely from renewable sources within three years, increasing overall electrical costs by over 20%. The decision was borne of student initiative. In a grass-roots campaign, a student environmental group sought out the signatures of over a third of students on campus. Students spearheading the campaign found that over 90% of students were in favor of the added cost of renewable energy. Following student initiative, Connecticut administrators responded with financial support.

Hamilton stands well ahead of Connecticut in college rankings, yet our environmental commitment is embarrassingly second rate. Hamilton students, faculty, and administration should look to Connecticut's exemplary lead in taking an ethical, responsible, and cost-sensitive approach to dealing with environmental issues.

Thirty years ago, Earth Day was enacted under the proclamation "by the people of the Earth, for the people of the Earth." Since that day members of the Hamilton community have done little to uphold their share.

Letters to the Editor

CAB EXPLANATION

If you can remember back a few months ago, you may recall CAB's e-mail, which requested each student's input in selecting a musical artist to bring to campus. Well, that wasn't a bluff. A large concert was in the planning stages earlier this semester. Unfortunately, CAB was forced to cancel the show because of budget cuts. I would just like to take a couple of short paragraphs to explain what happened and what CAB will be doing to appease the concert hungry community of Hamilton College.

The story is simple. As a result of Student Assembly's financial obligations, as well as the time consuming nature of planning a large-scale concert, the funds that should have gone to the show were needed in another realm of student activities before the show could be booked. Here's the good news: The fall budget has been structured in such a way as to allow enough money for a large show at the Stanley Theater in Utica. CAB hopes to have this show booked for the fall of next year.

In conclusion, I apologize for any confusion that this ordeal has caused anyone. I sincerely thank everyone who voted in the concert survey. Your votes have not been forgotten. I promise I will do my best to honor all of the suggestions that were sent to me.

Thank-you for your time,
Christopher Fogelstrom
Concert Coordinator

To The Editor:

I write as the advisor to Hillel, Hamilton's Jewish student organization.

This week we celebrate the Yom Ha'Atma'ut, Israel's Independence Day. We invite the entire Hamilton Community, students, faculty, administrators, and staff, to drop by our table at Beinecke today. Free literature will be available concerning opportunities to study Hebrew at Hamilton, summer and year long academic programs at Israeli universities, brochures detailing Hillel's exciting "New Directions Initiative" focused on reorganizing our leadership structure and activities, as well as Jewish student magazines. Listen to great Jewish/Israeli/Ethiopian/Sephardic music sung in Hebrew, Old Castilian, Ladino, Yiddish, and English!

Watch for our table again at Beinecke next week, Wednesday, May 2.

Stop by, sign up to get on Hillel's email list, get some interesting literature, enjoy wonderful music, and share your ideas about Hillel and your participation in building a vibrant Jewish community on the Hill!

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To the Hamilton Community,

The members of the 2000-2001 Honor Court propose to amend the Hamilton College Honor Code. This amendment will come to a vote by the student body this coming Wednesday, May 2, 2001. We would like to take a moment to explain what change this amendment creates, why we are seeking the change, and how it will benefit the students and Hamilton College Community as a whole.

Currently, one of several sanctions the Honor Court may consider for violations of the Honor Code is the "XF". The XF is a permanent notation on a student's transcript that means "removed from the course for academic dishonesty". It is listed on the transcript next to the course and it is used in place of a grade. In addition to the notation of XF, the student's GPA is also affected. The XF carries the weight of an FF (40) when the Registrar computes the student's grade point average. Because the XF is a permanent mark on the transcript, potential employers and admissions personnel at graduate, medical and professional schools may see the XF.

This amendment would allow for an XF that could be removed in the future. Students sanctioned with a removable XF would be given a second chance. In order for an XF to be removed from his/her transcript, a student would have to demonstrate that they have undertaken activities to help them become academically responsible. Should the Honor Court determine that the student had been successful in that task, the XF notation and GPA weight would be removed from the transcript. No indication of academic dishonesty would remain on the student's transcript.

There are two reasons why the Honor Court is proposing this change to the Honor Code. First, the removable XF allows the Honor Court to take an educational rather than punitive role. This is the appropriate focus for a judicial board at an educational institution such as Hamilton. Second, for serious violations of the Honor Code, the current Honor Court has felt it must choose between the permanent XF or a massive amount (450 hours of community service or more) for a sanction. The XF, with an option of removal, provides the valuable middle ground that would greatly contribute to the educational goals of the Honor Court process.

The amendment has received the unanimous support of the entire Honor Court and was approved by the Hamilton College Student Assembly this past Monday. We believe the amendment will provide students with a valuable second chance in the Honor System. It encourages sanctioned students to learn, gives them an opportunity to improve themselves, and provides the chance to clear their academic record. We encourage you to take the time to read the proposed amendment to the Honor Code and discuss it with your fellow students. We hope you will then choose to support this amendment on Wednesday, May 2, 2001 in the Beinecke Village. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Honor Court.

The 2000-2001 Hamilton College Honor Court
Mark Azzolino, Honor Court Chair; Anthony Loeffler, Class of 2001 Representative; Jared Johnson, Class of 2002 Representative; Eric Schwenker, Class of 2002 Representative; Alison Conway, Class of 2003 Representative; Morgan Selzer, Class of 2003 Representative; Leah Tenney, Class of 2004 Representative; Professor Mark Bailey (Computer Science), Faculty Representative; Professor Alan Cafruny (Government), Faculty Representative; Professor Lisa Trivedi (History), Faculty Representative

The Appeals Board is looking for a student member for the remainder of the spring semester. Prior experience on the Judicial Board or Honor Court is necessary. If you are interested, please send an e-mail message to Professor Todd Rayne (trayne).

Insights & Ideas

A much deserved thank you

Seth O'Bryan

This has been an emotional week for me; the biggest reason probably is because I'm a senior and like all other seniors I have so much stuff to do but at the same time all I want to do is hang out since time is running out. Something else happened to me this week, though; I finally broke.

All year I've been really motivated, and I've tried hard to make a difference and push this school in a better direction. At different times people will talk to me about how they used to be really motivated, but for various reasons they got frustrated or just worn out, and they all complimented me on how much energy and enthusiasm I have.

I never understood why they ran out of steam, why they weren't still motivated and enthusiastic. Now I understand, it's only for so long that you can work so hard and feel like it doesn't really make a difference, and only for so long can you work so hard and wonder whom it is for and who is working with you. My favorite example is the fight to get ELS to be a student union. In the beginning of the year, there was little thought of it to be a building for student use, there was little chance of it having much to do with students at all.

Through the hard work of some administrators and students, however, now there is a great chance for it to be a student union. But it seems like few people really care.

Also, earlier this year there was so much talk about action and so many people writing emails and speaking out that they care or that something needs to change. But now, as things get comfortable again there is silence, which is exactly what the Hamilton veterans said would happen at all the forums and such I went to. It's disappointing to discover that they were right.

I understand why these things happen, first off there's so much either bad communication or miscommunication on this campus. It is a serious problem that needs to be addressed. Second, it's hard to balance staying on top of the eight million things you have to do for yourself and then do things for the school. I hope I don't sound bitter; I'm just trying to be honest in saying that this school has both good and bad here. If I could do this year over again, I'd do it all the same.

One of the biggest reasons why being so involved has been worthwhile is the people I have met. I'm tired and I don't feel insightful right now, but I feel the necessity to write because I want to thank these people who don't get enough credit from the student body because most of them won't ever meet them.

This year I feel like I've worked with almost every avenue of Hamilton from Institutional Research to Bon Appetit to the Registrar's office to the Dean of Faculty to the President's office to Student Activities to Physical Plant to the Athletic Department. In every office I work with the people are caring, knowledgeable, and helpful. These people like Bev Low, AnnMarie Rossomano with Bon Appetit, Kristen Friedel in the Registrar's office to Chad in the Pub, Hamilton wouldn't be half the school it is without them. They don't get the recognition they deserve because they are behind the scenes. What students don't realize is that if you have any ideas or thoughts about things that you would like to do here, these people will listen.

Most departments are waiting for students to come to them with their ideas and thoughts. This problem goes back to issues of communication. I was lucky to find out about how caring and knowledgeable these people are. If I hadn't gotten involved, I would only remember Bon Appetit for serving me food which on some days wasn't that great or I'd only think about the registrar's office for long lines and not getting classes.

I would only think about administrators for making policies I don't agree with. But because I got involved I met all the people behind the scenes. Now when I think of these departments, I only think of the people. They have all taught me a lot and they all hold a place in my heart.

Then there are the secretaries and staff members, the people who work as hard as the people behind the scenes. Wherever I go, be it the Dean of Students office, the President's office, my home, the Math department or the Athletic office, I get a smile and good conversation. Really, that's all I care about.

Everybody works hard here, and everybody deserves a lot of credit. Sometimes we get so caught up in our worlds that we fail to appreciate how hard everyone else is working.

Thank you, administrators, faculty members, staff members, students; it's a hard and long journey, but it is worthwhile because of you. We all make mistakes, we all do good and bad, just like Hamilton itself, and in the end, it really is about the people, the people you love and care about.

Insights & Ideas Photos of the Week

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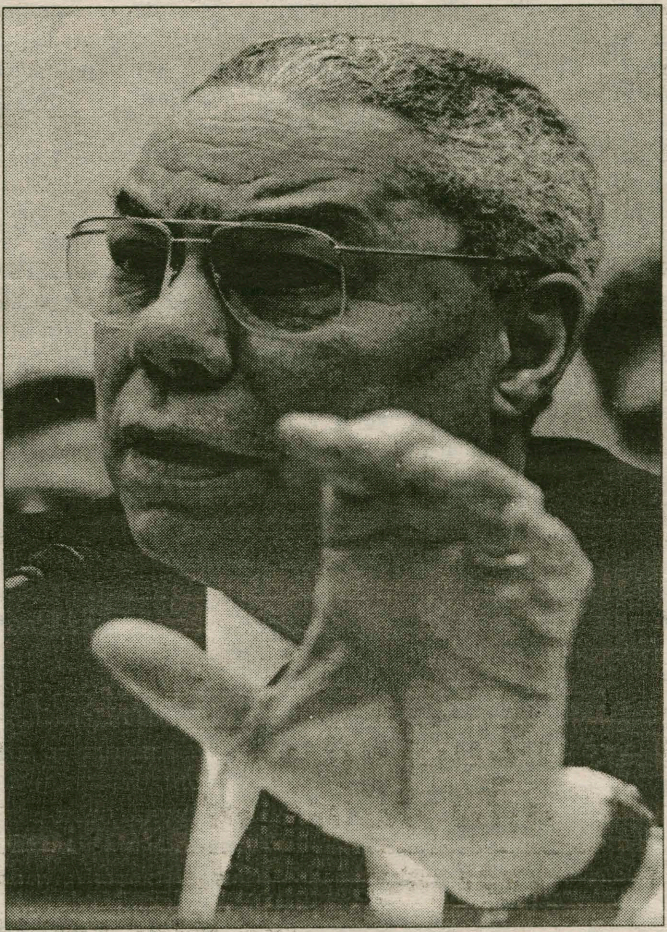
Hillary Clinton testifying before a grand jury on the size of her husband's genitalia...



Colin Powell apparently disagrees.

Bored? Angry? All dressed up, nowhere to go?

Write for Insights & Ideas

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Springtime Lovin'

Aaaah springtime, when a young man's heart turns to fancy at the sight of a shy young maiden, or on this campus, an overly-groomed, pastel-clad bench dweller.

With the weather finally changing for the better, the campus hormone level is beginning to skyrocket. The signs are all there: the campus damage bill from last weekend was astronomical, the health center has had to dip into its emergency supply of prophylactics, and the bookstore is running low on Old Spice.

J.P. LeBlanc & Justin Tyler

What is your average male college student supposed to do in a time like this? Here's a few tips for the fellas:

- Always carry two sticks of gum. It's a great cure for stale beer breath and fights gingivitis to boot.

- Create a weekly bedroom schedule with your roommates, tipping the schedule scale heavily in your favor.

- Don't be afraid to tell a woman that you wouldn't mind "drinking her bathwater."

- Get your copy of Steel Magnolias or Fried Green Tomatoes rewound for a late-night cuddle fest (sometimes you have to pay your dues).

- Try this line: "You are looking very beautiful. Do you want to get some ice cream with my friend and me?" This is especially effective when driving a 1984 cherry red Ford Mustang with the top down (if she is in a respectable sorority, substitute fro-yo for ice cream).

- Don't make out with anyone that has 'crazy' written on their forehead.

- There is no shame in popping a few Gas-X's before going out on a big date. Nothing puts off the ladies like a few thick toots.

- When in doubt, do like 1984 World Series hero Chet Lemon.

- When trying to maintain a relationship, do not get naked at inappropriate times. For those exhibitionists out there, a loophole does exist - tearaway pants are perfectly acceptable.

- Another line for those damsels: "Wanna come back and watch my Tom Emanski's Defensive Drills Video?"

- Impress them with your skill on the deer-killing video game at The Village Tavern.

- Girls like the guy on the Brawny Paper Towels packaging. Dress in flannel and walk around saying "S'up, yeah."

- Lie. A lot. Lying is for her benefit. "No, you don't look fat in those pants."

- Lie some more. "I love Ally McBeal too! Wow, we sure have a lot in common."

- "I may not be Mr. Right, but I'm Mr. Right Now."

- Some ladies seem to enjoy an absurd amount of hair gel. Instructions: Place gel in palm (a half-dollar size will suffice), rub in hair, spend 30 minutes carefully maneuvering hair to make it look messy. The bangs must be pointing towards sky to achieve the maximum effect.

- Offer to fly them to Thailand. This seems to work quite well.

- Get half of your women by 'flirting' with Sara Paley '01. This makes them jealous.

- Use stick deodorant. Spray just doesn't work as well. But not the white stuff, because sometimes white chunks get stuck in the armpit hair. This is a bad thing.

These aren't fool-proof, but they're damn close. It's springtime, yes, it's springtime and love is in the air.

Thumbs Up

- Discussing the trials and tribulations of college with the plucky young busdriver on the way to the senior formal.

- Thinking your night's done for, but then you find that extra buck in your pocket, and you're back in business.

- Mark Paul Gosselar

- Banana-Seat Schwins

Thumbs Down

- The recent outbreak of prohibition in college offices.

- AC Slater's legal woes.

- Angry Italian Country Club Managers.

- Dumping a bucket of puke on the door to res life. Was your lottery number that bad?

- Still having one more week of classes.

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Arts & Entertainment

Enemy At The Gates depicts war through beautiful cinematography

by Priyanka Khanna '04
A&E WRITER

Enemy at the Gates is poetic, endearing, wistful, and romantic. Oh yeah, it is also about the war. Director Jean Jacques Annaud has successfully glorified and romanticized the Battle of Stalingrad. Based on the historical novel by William Craig, this is the story of a one-on-one cutthroat war of dexterity and of winning; a battle deadlier than the siege of Stalingrad; a sniper duel between two brave perfectionists.

The first two scenes are breathtaking. The introduction to the movie is the barrel of a gun camouflaged by a mound of snow. The target is a wolf. The hunter is a young boy. The teacher is his grandfather. He aims for the eyes, always the eyes. He fires.

Cut to a train filled with soldiers. We follow Red Army soldier Vassili Zaitzev (Jude Law) into the heat of the battle. On the streets of this demolished city, officers are distributing the ever-diminishing supply of rifles while saying over and over, "The one with the rifle shoots. The one without the rifle follows. When the one with the rifle is killed, the one behind him picks up the rifle and shoots."

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Joseph Feinnes and Jude Law play Red Army soldiers in Jean Jaques Annaud's Enemy at the Gates.

Ten minutes later Vassili gets a rifle, and we see the precision and the deadly skill he possesses. During his first encounter he meets Danilov (Jospeh Fiennes), a political officer who decides that Vassili is just what the country needs. He converts this innocent shepherd from the Urals into a household name. He is the perfect means of propaganda; a hero for all the boys and a pinup model for all the young girls.

What they don't prepare for is this is becoming a battle between Hitler and Khrushchev (Bob Hoskins). The Germans send their best, Major Konig (Ed Harris), and a battle of wits ensues.

Annaud captures the tension by focusing on the eyes of the two. Konig's

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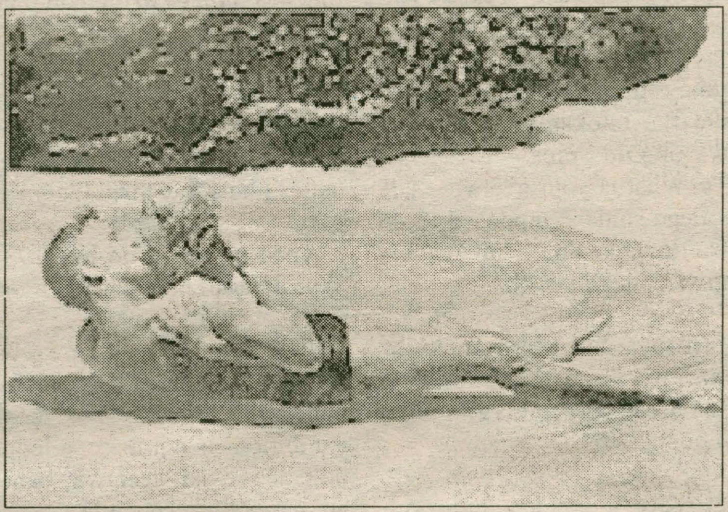
Hamilton Classic Film Society

From Here To Eternity



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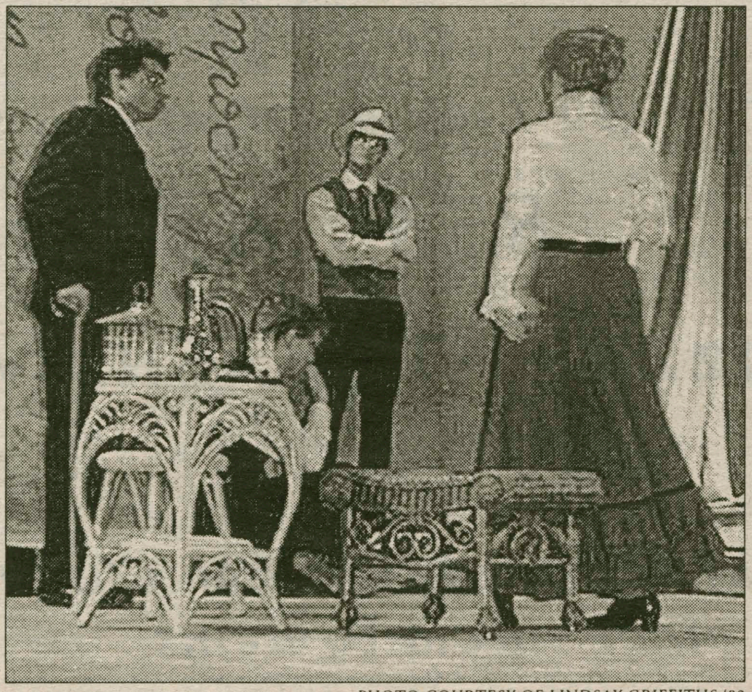
KJ Auditorium

A day in the life of a *Seagull* cast member

by Carter Cox '03
A&E GUEST WRITER

Stage makeup, even light powder, has a way of clinging to your face. Hairspray and pomade have the same effect, only on your hair. After a performance you go backstage, into the bathroom, and you scrub yourself down, trying to cleanse your pores and roots of all the molding and shaping and masking products. You might use cold cream, or a highly potent facial cleanser, or maybe just soap and water, but the effect is always the same. The stuff clings to you, leaving this kind of visceral funk, and no amount or combination of creams and water can alleviate this problem. The only thing that truly rids you of that nasty makeup aftertaste is time.

Of course, I mean this in a very literal sense from one point of view, but I also mean it in a more ethereal sense. If you don't give the makeup funk enough time before your next performance, then it's like drinking before getting over a hangover–the funk is beaten, but it's only temporary, and when it returns, it's grown ever funkier. So you can imagine that after enough performances over a short period of time, one begins to get confused about when the funk began or ended, and even whether or not it ever existed at all.



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A scene from The Seagull, which will be performed this Friday and Saturday at 8:00 in Minor Theater.

Performing a show, such as *The Seagull*, over a period of eight weeks or more can sometimes feel much the same way. Please don't misunderstand me. I wouldn't describe the experience as "visceral" or anything like that. Actually, it's quite pleasant. I love acting. We have a great cast and crew, and I really think this is the best production I've been a part of thus far at Hamilton. I've had a lot of fun with it.

However, I do find it somewhat trying when people ask me about the show. Just as makeup can do, I find myself engulfed in something which I can describe no more accurately than as *The Seagull* funk. Spending five afternoons a week building the set and then five or even six evenings a week acting (equaling approximately 25 to 30 hours a week of *The Seagull*–related activity) puts a person in that same sort of funk. You begin to forget what happened last night or the night before, and how it relates to the current night of performance. What's more, three weeks of straight run-throughs makes it almost impossible to feel really nervous about what has become yet another run-through (be it with or without an audience). And, like the makeup funk, *The Seagull* funk grows progressively worse. The more you do it, the harder it becomes to review your own performance, and the more it transforms into a haze that normal people can't see, taste, touch, or smell. Nevertheless, it is detectable, as it materializes through your increasing lack of awareness of the events in the outside world.

So when someone asks me how the show is going, how last night's performance went, or any similar question, I have no idea how to respond. The truth is, whenever I'm asked such a question, all I really want to do is tell them about the makeup funk. Of course, then they might just think I'm weird.

Enemy blends war and fairytale

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ice-blue unwavering gaze and Vassili's dirt-covered, meticulous watch, a dramatic background score, and very little dialogue sharpen the suspense.

Annaud also introduces the "essential" love triangle with the other sharpshooter, Tania (Rachel Weisz). Instead of the usual love drama and betrayal, it would have been interesting if Annaud had focused on her more as a soldier.

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Rachael Weisz, another sharpshooter, is caught in a love triangle in *Enemy at the Gates*.

Although the actors give good individual performances, there is not much of an ensemble. Harris is flawless. He does not have much dialogue or screen time, but his eyes are convincing. Law is good as well–a mixture of innocence and worldliness. Fiennes's character is one-dimensional. Weisz is easy to miss. Funny enough, the international cast is divided on accents. Weisz, Law, and Fiennes stick to their British accents, while Hoskins and Konig have Russian and German accents, respectively.

Physically, this film is absolutely breathtaking. Annaud brilliantly creates the right atmosphere. The beginning sequences and the four distinct duels between Konig and Vassili are exceptional, yet he weakens the plot by targeting it toward the box-office. What results is a mush between a war epic and a fairytale.

WHCL Top Albums

1] The Clientele
Suburban Light
Merge

2] various
ReDirection
Polyvinyl

3] Red House Painters
Old Ramon
Sub Pop

4] Matt Pond PA
I Thought You Were Sleeping
File 13

5] Bingo Trappers
Juanita Ave.
Animal World

6] Seafood
Surviving the Quiet
Big Wheel Rec.

7] Incredible Moses Leroy
Electric Pocket Radio
Ultimatum/Artemis

8] The Lucksmiths
Why that doesn't surprise me
Drive-In

9] Ashley Stove
All Summer Long

10] Of Montreal
Coquelicot...
Kindercore

11] Pete Yorn
Musicforthemorningafter
Sony/Columbia

12] Minders
Golden St.
SpinArt

13] The Mother Hips

14] Lenola
Treat me to Some Life
File 13

15] Poor, Rich Ones
Happy, Happy, Happy
Five One Inc.

16] This Busy Monster
Fireworks
Barsuk

17] Stephen Malkmus
self-titled
Matador

18] Paul Burch
Last of My Kind
Merge

19] Arab Strap
The Red Thread
Matador

20] Kleenex Girl Wonder
Smith
MOC

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ALONG CAME A SPIDER
12:10 2:30 4:55 7:20 9:40

FREDDIE GOT FINGERED
1:20 3:20 5:30 7:40 9:50

JOSSIE AND THE PUSSYCATS
2:45 6:30 10:00

ADVENTURES OF JOE DIRT
12:55 4:40 8:25

Tom Emanski, who has led baseball teams to three consecutive AAU National Championships, reads the *Spectator*. So should you!

The Science Pages

Bush cabinet kills plan to cut arsenic in drinking water

by Yina Luo '03
SCIENCE WRITER

The Environmental Protection Agency announced on March 20 that it will revoke a Clinton administration rule that would have reduced the acceptable level of arsenic in drinking water. EPA Administrator Christie Whitman, who was appointed by President Bush, suggested that former President Clinton's lowering of arsenic standards was a "rushed decision." Arguing that the evidence was not conclusive enough to justify the high cost of compliance to states, water utilities and municipalities, she proposed to re-evaluate both the science and potential economic impact of the Clinton ruling.

Arsenic is a naturally occurring substance and a byproduct of industrial processes. A 1999 study by the National Academy of Sciences concluded that the current arsenic standard of 50 parts per billion "could easily" result in a 1-in-100 risk of cancer of the lungs, bladder, and skin. The 10 parts per billion standard approved by the Clinton administration is identical to the one adopted several years ago by the European Union and the World Health Organization.

The proposed standard was issued in the final months of the Clinton presidency and was put on hold when President Bush took office. It had been vigorously opposed by the mining industry and some municipalities on grounds that the cost of compliance could reach up to hundreds of millions of dollars.

Critics of the EPA's action argue that it is another payback to the industries that gave President Bush millions of dollars in campaign contributions. Supporters say President Bush simply put more weight on economic considerations when making environmental decisions. With responses from the mining industries, EPA staff, and the environmental communities, the proposal has become a media focus in the past month.

The action was a major victory for the mining industry, which, in addition to making large contributions to the Bush campaign and the Republican Party, had sued to block the Clinton rules.

"The Clinton administration rushed this out in the midnight hour," said John Grasser, a spokesman for the National Mining Association. "We felt all along that it was really a political decision unsupported by the science."

Meanwhile, the wood products industry was also in extreme favor of the new administration's ruling because arsenic is used to pressure-treat lumber. "We are very relieved and delighted about what we hear," Mel Pine, spokesman of the American Wood Preservers Institute was quoted in *The New York Times*.

Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici praised the administration's decision to shelve the arsenic regulation, saying that it would spare states onerous costs. "Communities faced with the daunting task of finding the money to adhere to the stricter standards can breath a sigh of relief," he said. "I believe the rules rushed to print in January are excessive and based on insufficient science."

Despite the affirmative reactions from industry and some Republican legislators, the general public and environmental groups have shown strong signs of dissatisfaction with the EPA's action.

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VanGuilder presents work at DC conference

by Doug Wheeler '03
SCIENCE WRITER

Junior Heather Van Guilder attended the Council on Undergraduate Research's Posters on the Hill meeting in Washington, D.C. late last month. Posters on the Hill is an annual presentation of selected undergraduate students' science and mathematics research projects. The event focuses on promoting funding for research in the undergraduate academic community.

Last summer, Van Guilder researched a bovine protein known as S100B with Associate Professor of Chemistry Tim Elgren. S100B, which may play a role in Parkinson's disease in humans, is a small protein that aids in the breakdown of major neurotransmitters. S100B transforms these neurotransmitters into elements of the plaque that forms in the nervous system in Parkinson's disease. S100B has also been shown to bind to copper, which is present in increased levels in the patients afflicted with Parkinson's.

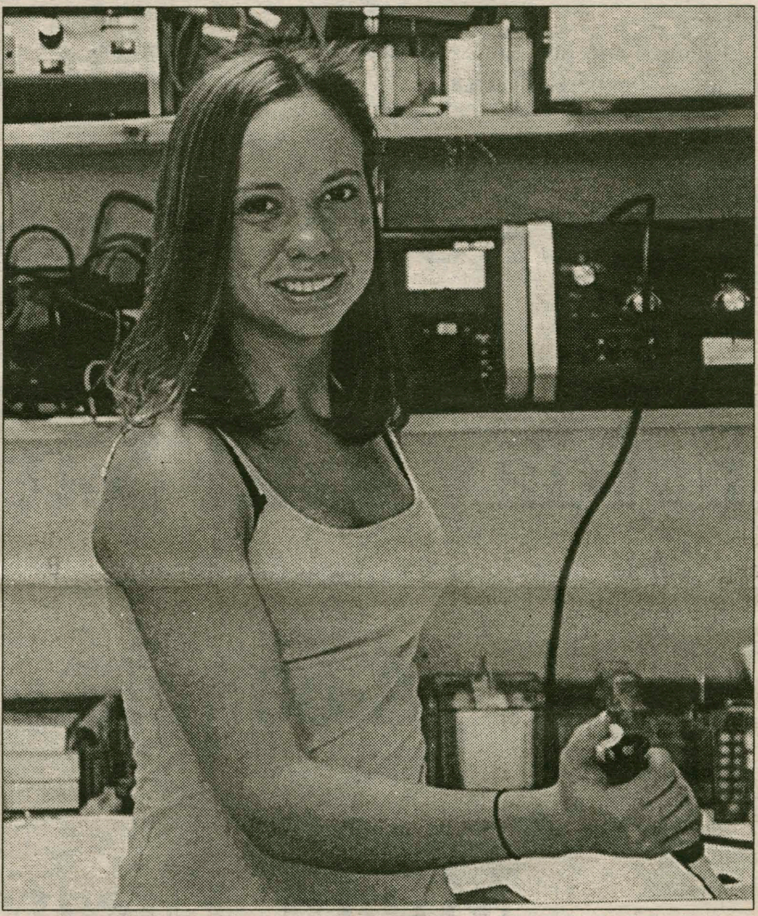
Van Guilder and Elgren traveled to Washington, D.C. the weekend following spring break to present their findings. As Posters on the Hill is designed to raise political awareness and funding of undergraduate research, participants spent a portion of the day meeting with the congressional representatives from their school district. Van Guilder met and spoke with Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY).

The event concluded with a two-hour poster session, where the 68 participants presented their research projects to various government officials in an informal atmosphere. The projects were funded by different national grants, and the poster session allowed students to communicate the importance of funding undergraduate research. "National funding of undergraduate research is critical, especially for liberal arts colleges, because it provides students with the opportunity to actively participate in what they've been learning about," she said.

Van Guilder plans to continue her work with Elgren this summer. This research will then segue into her senior project. After graduating from Hamilton, Van Guilder is considering attending graduate school for neuroscience. She also hopes to become a physician's assistant so that she may volunteer during her summers. "One of my primary goals through and after graduate school is to work or volunteer as a physician's assistant," she said.

Van Guilder said that her research at Hamilton "motivated me to continue my education in graduate school and neuroscience." She added that "Professor Elgren is one of the most motivational teachers on campus." Van Guilder will be published with Elgren as a contributor to one of his upcoming scientific articles. Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy Marc Hight said that VanGuilder is "smart, competent and capable."

Coincidentally, the Posters on the Hill session was in the same building as a recent congressional hearing about the controversial science and ethics behind human cloning. Sitting in on the hearing for a while, VanGuilder heard testimonies from leading scientists, religious experts and federal regulators. Sitting next to her at the talks was Rael, the spiritual leader of the Raelian sect, which is openly pursuing human cloning research in an undisclosed North American location. Van Guilder said that it was "definitely a strange experience to sit next to the [self-proclaimed] world's last prophet."



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Junior Heather VanGuilder presented her research last month to federal legislators at the Council on Undergraduate Research in Washington, DC.

With Spring thaw, ladybugs come out of the woodwork

by Dathalinn O'Dea '03
SCIENCE WRITER

Traditionally upheld as good-luck tokens and extolled in a popular children's nursery rhyme, ladybugs are among the most innocuous and tolerable of insects - until they inhabit your residence en masse. Crawling through cracks in the wall or foundation, scuttling aimlessly across the desktop, or clustered by the dozen in the corner of a windowsill, these small red good-luck charms ceased to be as appealing to the residents of Roger's Estate when they experienced an unexpected invasion of the insects.

Ladybugs, specifically the multicolored Asian lady beetle (Harmonia axyridis), have experienced a sudden population explosion in the past decade after being imported into the United States from Asia in 1916; the explosion is due largely to a lack of natural predatory controls within the country. The ladybug's inborn inclination to seek cool, dry cracks or crevices for habitation during the late fall and winter months has resulted in widespread ladybug invasions across the eastern U.S. and, most recently, on College Hill.

The ladybug, also known as the ladybird beetle, is one of roughly 5,000 diverse beetles of the family Coccinellidae. Their name emerged during the Middle Ages, when the beetle was dedicated to the Virgin Mary and thus became known as the "beetle of Our Lady."

Ladybugs are found in temperate and tropical regions throughout the world, from Australia to Asia to the United States. All adult varieties are less than 1.2 centimeters in length and inhabit a characteristic convex, nearly hemispherical body, rounded above and flat on the underside, with a small head and six short, jointed legs.

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Your planet is in serious trouble. An opportunity presents itself, and Conn College showed us what to do.

CONFUSED? WE KNOW. DO THIS:

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THEN READ NEXT WEEK'S SCIENCE PAGES.

YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS.

Ladybug ladybug, fly away home

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The head is covered by a hood called the pronotum. Ladybugs vary widely in color, even within the same variety, and may be white, yellow, pink, orange, red, or black. Most ladybird beetles, however, are red or orange with black, white, or yellow spots.

Like several other brightly-colored insects, ladybugs are distasteful to predators, and may secrete an odorous fluid when threatened to warn enemies of their distastefulness. The average life cycle of a common ladybug is roughly four weeks, so that numerous generations of the insect are produced and accumulate throughout the summer months. The carnivorous nature of both adult and larvae endears these insects to farmers desiring a natural alternative for the control of insect pests, such as aphids, scales, and mites.

Adult females lay their eggs on the surfaces of leaves in the vicinity of aphid colonies. The larvae, which resemble alligators with their long and slender soft bodies, are predators, like the adults. They are generally spiny and black with bright blue, green, or red spots, and feed on other insects and insect eggs.

The larvae pass through four stages of growth before attaching to an object and pupating in their final larval skin. Depending on the particular species, lady beetles pass through at least one generation each year, with adults hibernating through the winter months in aggregations under leaves, other natural debris, or in the cracks and crevices of trees.

In recent years, this hibernating instinct has led a certain variety of ladybugs, the multicolored Asian lady beetle, to seek shelter in homes rather than in nature; since ladybird beetles tend to take cover each winter in the same location, the ladybug invasion is increasingly developing into a nuisance for residents who are forced to cohabitate with these small insects.

Despite the nuisance they pose, as they congregate and scatter throughout a room, ladybugs are actually helpful bugs. Both the young larvae and the adult insects feed on a wide-range of soft-bodied and slow-moving insects, such as aphids and young caterpillars.

In addition, they consume numerous soft-scaled insects, which is the reason for their original introduction into the United States from Asia. Regardless of their beneficial attributes, however, ladybug invasions are often viewed with more aversion than appreciation. The residents of Roger's Estate, who have noted the recent abundance of ladybugs throughout their dorm, are part of a large community in the eastern United States that has encountered this insect population.

The most common house feature that attracts ladybugs is highly reflective surfaces, such as a white exterior, a sunny window, or brightly colored curtains; once attracted to your house, they find their way inside through small gaps and cracks around doors and windows and in siding. On warm and sunny days, the ladybugs will become more active and will migrate towards light and bright surfaces. They will generally be found crawling on windows or diving into light fixtures.

Though they may be a threat to your sanity, they are entirely harmless to humans. Sinan Misirli '03, a resident of Roger's, notes "Though the number of bugs are above normal, I haven't really heard people complaining about [them] down here, so I guess it's not a big problem."

Terry Hawkridge, assistant director of Physical Plant, said, "Ladybugs are not a problem, but are a biological control for some insect pests. We would not and will not spray for them." He noted that if residents have a particular aversion to ladybugs, the simplest and least toxic approach to getting rid of the insects is to remove them with a vacuum cleaner.

Insecticide sprays are likely to have minimal effect on hard-shelled insects, such as the multicolored Asian lady beetle, and though aerosol foggers can be applied for immediate relief of heavy infestations, they will not control bugs that have not yet emerged from cracks and protected crevices. Residents of invaded homes will have to grow accustom to the company of ladybugs, at least until the summer months, when the hibernating beetles will move outside in search of food.

Arsenic limit cut

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In a *New York Times* interview, Chuck Fox, who until January was the EPA's assistant administrator for water, used strong words in condemning the proposal. "This action will jeopardize the health of millions of Americans, and it compromises literally a decade's worth of word on behalf of developing a public health standard."

This raises another question: why is it so difficult to find a scientifically safe arsenic standard in our drinking water? Dr. Robert Goyer, emeritus professor of pathology who led the National Academy Committee, answered, "To determine what levels are dangerous, you have to find a population that is stable and that consumes water with a known amount of arsenic. That is hard to do."

The best information came from Taiwan, Dr. Goyer said. There, 80,000 people consumed 400 to 1000 parts per billion of arsenic in their water, a level 8 to 20 times higher than is acceptable in the United States. The Taiwanese and smaller groups in the Andes with similarly high levels in their water had increased bladder, lung, and kidney cancers. Even though arsenic's effects might vary with genetic makeup and diet, the data were still far better than usual for risk assessors.

Most European countries have set their maximum arsenic levels at 20 parts per billion, Dr. Goyer said. At 20 parts per billion, the EPA estimated, 19 to 20 bladder and lung cancer cases and 10 to 11 deaths a year would be prevented, but the cost would be less than half of the cost of instituting a 10 parts per billion limit. If the level were reduced to 5 parts per billion, 51 to 100 bladder and lung cancer cases and 29 to 54 deaths would be prevented. However, the cost would soar to more than double the cost of a 10 parts per billion limit.

The EPA has charged the National Academy of Sciences with the job of carrying out a 9-month study to determine acceptable arsenic levels in drinking water.

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Pres. Carter: from malaise to humanitarianism

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-cured him the nomination. In the wake of the Watergate scandal and a growing mistrust in federal government, Carter was seen as an honest, fresh face that could inject hope and renewal into the presidency.

"People would ask me how I could stand the long campaigning, how I could stand being charged with the responsibilities of a great nation, one of the most powerful and difficult jobs in the world," Carter told an interviewer in 1991. "It wasn't any more difficult than picking cotton all day or shaking peanuts. There is an equality there. If you have a task to perform and are vitally interested in it, ...you will exert maximum energy."

The Carter-Mondale ticket edged out Gerald Ford, who was sworn into office two years earlier after Richard Nixon's resignation, with just 51 percent of the popular vote in an election year that was marked by the lowest voter turnout in a half-century.

President from Jan. 1977 to Jan. 1981, Carter negotiated the Panama Canal treaties, (which turned the waterway back over to Panama in 1999) in 1977. Perhaps most notably, Carter convened with Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin at Camp David, Md., where the two countries negotiated to end a 30-year war and return the Sinai Peninsula to Egypt under Carter's patient intervention. He also established diplomatic relations with China in 1979.

Carter's limited successes at home included a comprehensive energy program and environmental protection legislation, specifically the Alaska Lands Act. However, the inflation rate climbed each year he was president, to almost 15 percent by 1981, due mainly to an energy crisis.

Although economists saw the energy crisis as a result of an overdependence on foreign oil, Carter believed it was but a side effect of a "moral and spiritual crisis" that gripped America. In a nationally televised speech delivered in July 1979, Carter told more than 65 million Americans that too many of them were driven by indulgence and consumerism, and the "crisis of the American spirit" required a deep rekindling of faith and optimism. Titled "Energy and the Crisis of Confidence" but remembered in popular history as the "malaise" speech, it left the nation stunned. "Most Americans were not prepared to hear this sort of spiritual rhetoric, even from Jimmy Carter," wrote Kenneth Morris in his 1996 biography of the former president.

"Carter inherited a very difficult combination of economic conditions from his predecessors. These included an inflationary spiral, rising unemployment, and declining real wages," explained Maurice Isserman, professor of history and American Studies. "What Carter did wrong, politically, was to associate himself in the minds of the voters with hard times by preaching a gospel of restraints [in this speech] - calling on Americans to reject consumerist values, and accept that some material sacrifices would be necessary to cope with the energy crisis."

His perceived inability to deal with problems at home and abroad led to Carter's loss for reelection to Ronald Reagan in 1981. "Carter set himself up for Ronald Reagan's attack on him as a gloomy prophet of limits and constraints, whereas Reagan promised that under his leadership it would be 'Morning in America.' Everyone could turn up the thermostat again and buy gas-guzzling cars," Isserman said.

Although Carter left office dejected and almost $1 million in debt, he soon began giving speeches, writing books, and championing human rights causes. His autobiography *Why Not the Best?* was published in 1975, and seven other books followed. "People underestimate the potential of a former president," he told an interviewer. "I have some ability to dramatize a particular problem, and to reach the news media, and therefore reach the consciousness of the people."

Carter first became involved with Habitat for Humanity, an international not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing decent housing for all people, when he led a work group to build in New York City in 1984, according to the organization. Since then, he and Rosalynn have led an annual Jimmy Carter Work Project, a blitz build of more than 100 homes in the country's neediest cities. This year, the JCWP will take place from August 5-11 in six cities in South Korea.

In the same year the former president got his start with Habitat, he established the Carter Center at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., a foundation for international conflict resolution and peace initiatives.

Today, Carter is most often in the news for his views on U.S. involvement in the Middle East. He was in the United Arab Emirates Monday to receive an environmental award and told the *Jerusalem Post* Tuesday that Washington must play a more active role in the peace process.

Carter's visit to campus is largely due to Sol Linowitz, a distinguished Hamilton alumnus who served as the chief conegotiator of the Panama Canal Treaties under Carter. He also served as President Carter's representative to the Middle East peace talks. The Linowitzes will accompany Carter to campus Monday on a chartered jet. Carter's visit is the latest segment of the Sacerdote Great Names Series, an endowment that brings a renowned public figure to campus each semester.

This story includes portions of Henry Allen's What It Felt Like: Living in the American Century (Pantheon Books: 2000); Kenneth Morris's Jimmy Carter: American Moralist (Univ. of Georgia Press: 1996); and materials available on the World Wide Web from The Carter Center, The U.S. Government, Encyclopedia Britannica, Habitat for Humanity International, Reuters News Service and the Jerusalem Post.

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Argentinian novelist interprets dictatorship decade, Eva Perón

by Cristen Sargent '01
FEATURES EDITOR

Patricia Sagastizabal, Argentinian novelist and scholar, lectured on campus Tuesday afternoon on the country's dictatorship era, 1976-83.

The talk, which Sagastizabal gave in the Red Pit at 4:30 p.m., was given in Spanish, and centered on the decade of dictatorial rule in Argentinian history.

Before the lecture, she told the *Spectator* that it was important students have a more accurate picture of Eva Perón, besides the romanticized figure portrayed by Madonna in the popular musical, Evita.

"Patricia talked a lot about the life of Eva Perón," said Vanessa Spillios '01. "About the fact that the real Perón was much more dynamic."

PHOTO BY CRISTEN SARGENT '01

Patricia Sagastizabal, prize-winning author, spoke Tuesday on Argentina's decade of dictatorial rule.

A novelist, Sagastizabal published her first novel, *En nombre de Dios*, in 1997. Her third novel, *A Secret for Julia*, was awarded "El Premio La Nación de Novela" and "launched Patricia Sagastizabal into the front ranks of contemporary Latin American literary figures," according to Cecilia Hwangpo, assistant professor of Spanish and organizer of the lecture.

"Sagastizabal's talk is significant because many students have learned a distorted history of Perón and Peronism via the Hollywoodization of Eva Peron's story, with Madonna in the leading role," said Susan Sanchez-Casal, associate professor of Spanish and Women's Studies. "She was very good humored about Hollywood's take on the Peronism in Argentina, but she also made the important point that this kind of caricaturizing of Latin American figures really obscures the complex historical processes that lend deeper meaning and comprehension of Latin American social and political realities."

Sagastizabal also emphasized the fact that although many suffered greatly under Pinochet's dictatorship in Chile, Argentinian suffering was equal, if not worse.

"When one thinks about political turmoil in South America, Chile and Columbia first come to mind," said Matt Eng '02. "However, Ms. Sagastizabal made it very clear that Argentina has suffered its share of injustices."

"Her visit here gave the community a chance to see how Latin American intellectuals interpret their own histories," Sanchez-Casal added.

Hamilton boasts more senior fellowship winners

by Elizaeth Rabe '04
FEATURES WRITER

This year several members of the Class of 2001 have won prestigious scholarships or fellowships to continue their educational experiences.

Jeff Krutz of Little Falls, New York won a Junior Fellowship from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Caitlyn Cook of Point Pleasant, New Jersey earned a St. Andrew's Society of New York Scholarship. Jodie Stewart of Hamlin, New York, Marika Geertz of New City, New York, and Denise Kless of Canandaigua, New York all received J. William Fulbright Foreign Teaching Assistantships.

All of these students are excited about their work for next year. Next year these students will miss Hamilton College and life on the Hill. If he had the chance, Krutz said, he "would like to do another year of college."

But all five of these students have great hopes for next year. Stewart stated, "I am excited. I am getting more and more excited with each passing day." Kless echoed Stewart's statement by adding that "this is a great opportunity. I am excited about the possibilities for next year." These students will each have unique experiences.

Krutz will serve as a Junior Fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington D.C. Each year ten students receive this fellowship. According to their homepage, the Carnegie Endowment is "one of the world's leading think tanks specializing in foreign affairs." The Endowment conducts programs of discussion, education, publication, and research on U.S. foreign policy and international relations.

Krutz will work with two Carnegie Fellows on a democracy project. According to Krutz the democracy project conducts research on "how countries make the transition from undeveloped countries to developed countries with civil laws." This fellowship opportunity thrills Krutz. He declared, "it was the job I really wanted to do most. The best people in international relations work there."

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

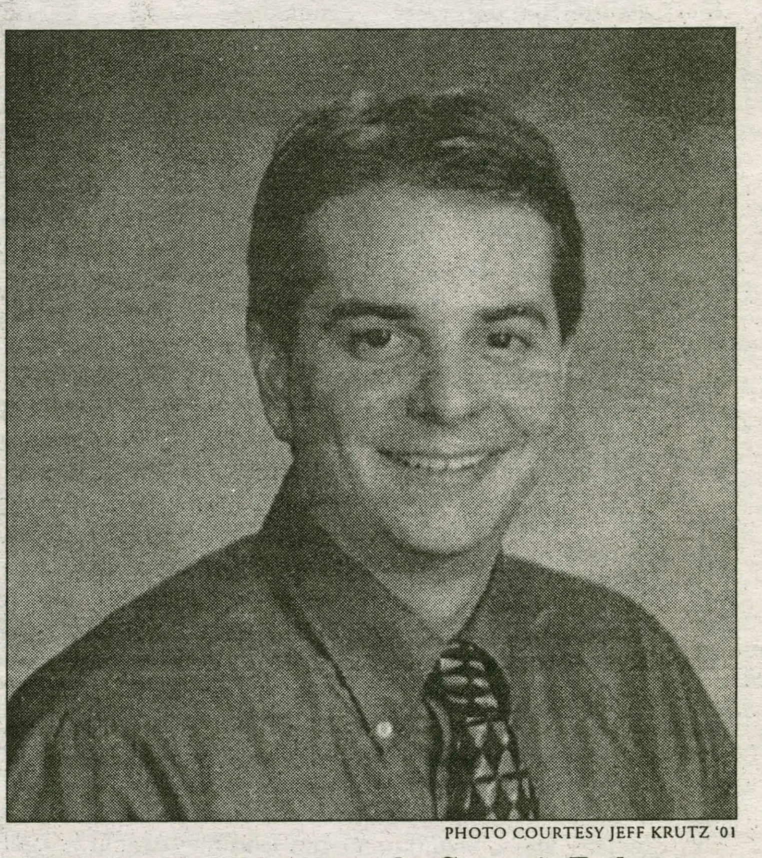
Caitlyn Cook '01 will study in Scotland next year. (This photo is a re-release. Cook's picture was inadvertently run last week with another group of fellowship winners.)

Caitlyn Cook's St. Andrew's Society of New York Fellowship will allow her to attend the University of Saint Andrew in Scotland. She will enroll in the masters program for Ancient history, studying Pre-Roman and Roman Britain with a focus on underwater archaeology. The St. Andrew's Society of New York founded this fellowship "to promote cultural interchange and goodwill between Scotland and the United States." Since the start of this program in 1956, the society has given away 115 scholarships.

Cook said that the Society selects "students of Scottish descent based on academic record and financial need" to receive the scholarship each year. One must also live within 250 miles of New York City.

Three students, Jodie Stewart, Marika Geertz, and Denise Kless, earned J. William Fulbright Teaching Assistantships. With the Assistantships these students will spend next year teaching English in elementary or secondary schools in foreign countries.

The State Department sponsors this fellowship in the name of Arkansas Senator J. William Fulbright, who proposed this program after World War II to provide "a step towards building an alternative to war." Indeed, according to the Fulbright homepage, the stated purpose of this fellowship is to "promote cross cultural interaction and mutual understanding on a person-to-person basis in an atmosphere of openness, academic integrity, and intellectual freedom." These Hamilton fellowship winners will work to continue this tradition of cultural and educational exchange next year.



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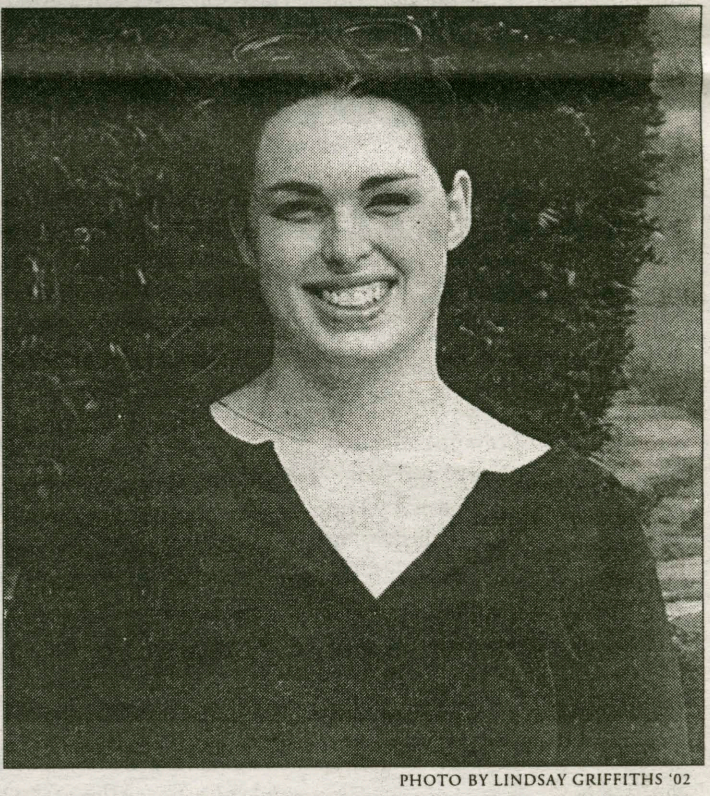
Jeff Krutz '01 will intern at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, where "the best people in international relations work."

Stewart will travel to Korea, where she will live with a host family and teach English in a Korean secondary school. She will work and live in a small city in Korea. Stewart also hopes to learn the language during her stay. She chose to apply for a fellowship to Korea because of her interest in Asian Studies. She thought Korea "was a fascinating country," and the Fulbright fellowship will allow Stewart to explore this engaging place.

With their Fulbright fellowships, Geertz and Kless will work in Austria. They will help teach conversational English in classrooms as teaching assistants and will live near Vienna, the capital city. Indeed, this will be a life-influencing experience. Kless stated, "I am very excited, but I am slightly overwhelmed and nervous."

To earn these great opportunities, the students prevailed over tough competition. They all had to fill out applications, write personal statements, and have an interview. Their applications had to pass through local, national, and for the Fulbright Fellowship, host country screening committees. But they succeeded.



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Jodie Stewart '01 will teach English in Korea next year with a Fulbright Teaching Assistantship.

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

Denise Kless '01 will teach English in Austria next year, along with classmate Marika Geertz '01, who was not available for a photo.

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For more fellowship and scholarship information, contact Ginny Dosch at x4467 or vdosch@hamilton.edu.

Check out opportunities online at: http:///www.hamilton.edu/academics/fellowships_and_scholarships.html

Safety net Harrison salvages wins for Baseball

by Chris Preston '03
MANAGING EDITOR

It appears that the Hamilton baseball team has found a cure for any losing streak in the form of Jamie Harrison '02.

Three times in the past three weeks Harrison has been handed the ball in the midst of a Continental losing streak and all three times he has successfully stopped the bleeding.

First he beat Amherst to end a six-game losing streak in what was the team's most impressive win of the season, then combined with lefty Jason Wellen '03 to hold Utica in check despite not having his best stuff to end a three-game losing skid.

Finally, this past Tuesday Harrison gained his third consecutive victory in a masterful complete game win over Cazenovia, 6-1 at the Syracuse Sky Chiefs' P and C Stadium.

This victory perhaps erased some of the memories from the spanking the Conts received just days earlier at the hands of a dominant Williams team.

Harrison scattered eight hits, struck out six, walked one and allowed just one unearned run in going all seven innings.

And the Continental offense, much like it did against Utica, provided him with enough run support.

This time, however, it didn't come until late in the game.

With the score tied at one apiece in the sixth the Continentals loaded the bases on a Semmie Taylor '03 double, an error, and a hit batsmen with no one out and catcher Jack Halas '03 coming up.

Halas promptly came through with a two-RBI single, and Charles Spiliotis '03 added his own two-RBI single moments later to break the game open and give the Conts the five run lead they would not relinquish.

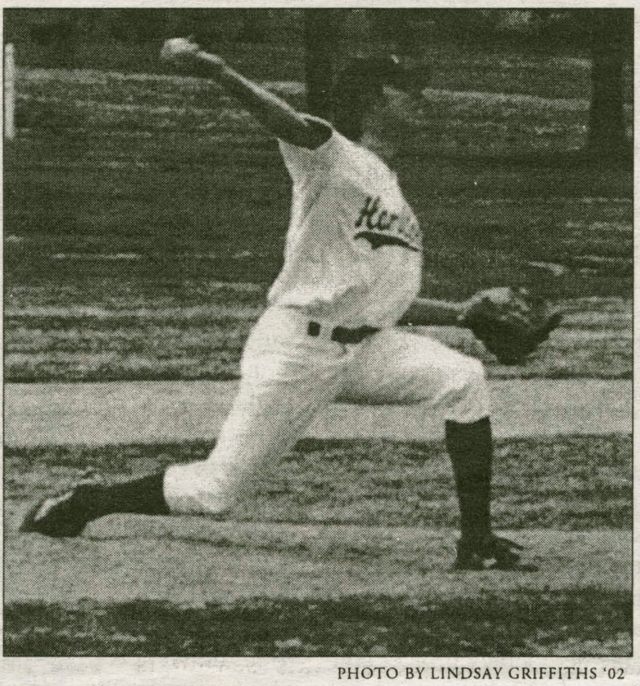

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

Brent Lowinger pitches for Hamilton against NESCAC powerhouse Williams last Saturday.

Harrison spoke about his new role as stopper, "I'm going out there with a lot of confidence right now. I'm throwing all three of my pitches for strikes and I think I'm keeping the hitters off balance."

Coach Mike Davis commented on the victory and the importance of having an ace like Harrison, "We got a good pitching performance from Harrison and did some of the little things well such as bunt and steal, things we aren't able to do when we get so far behind like we did against Williams.

"That's our game, playing small ball. But with Jamie on the mound its good to know that you're always going to be in the game, and the team behind him knows that so they play a little sharper. In fairness, some of our other guys such as Steve Guillette ['01] and Matt Marsallo ['01] have pitched pretty well too, but they got roughed up by Williams just like everyone else does," he added.

Roughed up doesn't even begin to describe what Williams did to Hamilton in the team's only three true home games all year.

The mighty Ephs pounded the overmatched Continentals into submission-literally. On Sunday in the third and final game of the series Williams took a 22-4 lead in the fifth inning.

The umpires were forced to shorten what was supposed to be a nine-inning affair to a seven-inning clinic. The final of 23-4 (yes that's 23 runs, 21 outs) was the Conts' most lopsided defeat of the year, capping off a weekend in which they were outscored 54-6 by the mighty Ephs.

"They're the best by far," said Spiliotis when asked how Williams (19-2, 7-1 in the NESCAC West) compared to the other good teams he's seen in his two years on the team. "They are just so polished all around; the numbers one through nine hitters could hit and they threw six or seven pitchers at us who were all really solid."

Coach Davis was similarly impressed, "They hit the ball unbelievably well, they hit about ten home runs and their pitching was by far the best we've seen...We didn't play horribly, so I'm not going to lose any sleep over it."

It says a lot about the Continentals' character that they were able to put the Williams debacle behind them and pick up much-needed victory against Cazenovia. Perhaps this will give them a bit of momentum going into a busy weekend in which they travel to Union to play two on Saturday.

They then travel all the way to Trinity, possibly the best team in the NESCAC East, for two more the very next day.

A daunting task to say the least, but the Conts will at least have a well-rested bullpen thanks to Harrison. That bullpen should play a key role in this stretch.

For now, though, the Continentals can take solace in one certainty-they have seen the last of Williams.

Odd teams out: Baseball and Softball suffer

Hamilton fields lag behind Clinton High

by Andy Horner '03
SPORTS EDITOR

Hamilton College is located in upstate New York, and in upstate New York, it snows. And snows. In the fall, it snows. In the winter, it snows. And in the spring, it snows.

Just about the only time the threat of snow is not present in upstate New York are the months of May through August, roughly when the majority of us aren't here.

The men's and women's soccer teams, as they advance in their respective tourneys each fall, deal with the snow, and I have witnessed the interesting spectacle that is varsity snoccer.

However, when the snow comes down on the soccer players, their fields do a reasonably good job absorbing upstate New York's calling card.

The newly redone Love Field handles the precipitation like a pro.

Minor Field, where the women play, is not quite as robust as it's more modern counterpart, but it gets the job done for the most part.

The football team deals with the same problems, though they do tend to end their season somewhat sooner than the perennially strong soccer programs.

Von Steuben Field boasts good drainage, and reasonably well-kept grass that promotes athletic activity no matter the weather.

Even now, gazing from my window, the field looks in solid shape, and various afternoon athletes are taking advantage of the general good condition of the surface.

So in the fall, our outdoor teams play home games despite a winter that begins in early October.

The fans brave the cold, ice, and snow to see their friends and family take on the tough athletic competition of New England.

Then in the spring, thanks to the new turf laid down on high-tech TDX Field, our fearsome lacrosse teams conquer their opponents on a home field that is about as nifty as they come.

Our track team is able to host the Hamilton Invitational on the track around Love Field, and the team seems impressed by the quality of the facilities there.

Even the rugby teams have a place to play at home, as they get down and dirty in the muddy area behind TDX.

All told, there are only two teams that seem to have a problem. The baseball team, reduced to a lifestyle that is somewhat nomadic, moves from "designated home field" to "designated home field" because their real home field here on the campus is so poorly drained and ill-conceived that it is utterly unusable.

The team has played 14 games, not including their eight game jaunt down to Florida earlier in the season, and yet they just recently played their first true home games of the year, against an unbelievably skilled Williams team.

They got pounded, certainly, but they also did some other things. They slipped and fell down in an outfield that was sporting more mud than grass. They hurt themselves doing so.

"Just because their wins and losses don't quite even out, they still ought to have serviceable fields to play on."

The Continentals' second baseman, Brett Zalaski '03, described the field, "In the week before the series against Williams, it was scary taking grounders in the infield, because you just had no idea where the ball was going to jump.

"Once the series started, the field got a little softer, but the outfield was still hazardous. We had a few guys slip and fall during the game, as did Williams."

While our other spring teams enjoy their new playing surfaces, the baseball team toils on a field not fit for a PAL softball game. Grounders take hops so strange that infielders fear for their lives.

Outfielders have to spin their legs like cartoon characters to get to routine pop flies. It just isn't fair.

The softball team has experienced the same injustice, albeit to a lesser extent.

They have played only four "home" games, compared to nine games away.

The poor condition of their field has made it difficult for coach Susan Keller to schedule many home games for the team, and so constant road trips have become the norm for her squad.

For the four games actually scheduled as home games, the softball team has had to play on the superior field at Clinton High School.

Yes, that is correct, Clinton High School's facilities are better suited to this inhospitable climate than are our own.

The team will play its first true home game this weekend, taking on Middlebury.

Stephanie Dunn '03, a power hitter who plays first base for the softball team, also commented on the condition of the field, "The infield is still a little hard, and there's a lot of dust flying around. But it's definitely nice to play a game in front of our friends."

What it comes down to is that these teams are just as deserving of new facilities as the rest of the athletic programs at our fair school.

They practice hard, spend their spring breaks training, and deserve to have the opportunity to play in front of the home crowd more than three times a year, especially when their seasons are over 20 games long.

Just because their wins and losses don't quite even out, they still ought to have serviceable fields to play on.

Obviously, Hamilton has the money. We're dishing out a very large sum of money to build a new state-of-the-art, environmentally sound science building.

Certainly, the school could cough up the relatively few bucks necessary to make a well-drained, well laid-out field that the two teams could share.

Simply match the effort that Clinton High School has put into its baseball/softball facilities. If our institution is unable to do that, then it might as well not bother to improve its educational facilities to any level beyond those of Clinton High. Give these student-athletes their just rewards. After all, it's only fair.

Now winning at Enron... the Astros

The Houston Astros may have been the most disappointing team in the league last year. Predicted by many to win the National League Central division, the Astros finished the season 72-90, 18 games below .500 and a dismal 23 games behind the division winning St. Louis Cardinals.

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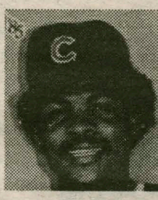

They did not play to their potential last season for a number of reasons. First, they were plagued by injuries. Craig Biggio, usually a run producer at the top of the lineup, only played 101 games before suffering a season-ending injury.

Roger Cedeno, who once stole over 60 bases for the Mets, played a mere 74 games due to injuries. Moises Alou, despite hitting 30 home runs and driving in 114 runners, played only 126 games.

The dagger in the heart of the Astros, however, was the injury to their closer, Billy Wagner. In 1999, Wagner saved 39 games and had an ERA under 2.00.

Last year he had arm problems early and was forced into season-ending surgery after only 28 appearances. Even when Wagner was pitching, he was ineffective with a 6.18 ERA and only six saves.

Wagner was not the only pitcher to struggle. In 1999, Jose Lima was the Astros ace, winning 21 games. Last season, Lima went seven and 16 with a mind boggling 6.65 ERA. In the 196 innings he pitched, he allowed 251 hits, 48 of those home runs. Last season, Scott Elarton led the team's starters in ERA with 4.81.

Houston is off to a much better start this season. With an 11-8 record, they are only one game behind the first place Chicago Cubs. Houston is winning their games both with their arms and their bats.

Last season was their first at Enron Field, a hitters ballpark. It is an easy park in which to hit home runs, and Houston pitchers had trouble adjusting.

What might have been routine fly balls in their prior park, the Astrodome, were home runs at Enron. This season, Houston pitchers have been much more effective. They are taking advantage of the new strike zone and are getting hitters to pop out more often. Youngster Wade Miller is leading the team with 40 strike outs and a 2.35 ERA. Scott Elarton has a fairly high ERA at 5.08, but his WHIP is low at 1.17 and he has only walked six batters in 23 innings pitched.

The key to the Astros' pitching success this season is Wagner. Throwing close to 100 mile-per-hour fast balls and biting breaking balls, he is five for five in save opportunities and has 11 strike outs in eight innings pitched. With the emergence of Miller and a healthy Wagner, Houston's staff will hold its own in the National League.

Houston's hitting is very impressive. Outfielders Lance Berkman, Daryle Ward, Richard Hidalgo, and Moises Alou are hitting a combined .343 with 11 home runs and 47 RBI's. All Star first baseman Jeff Bagwell is off to a fine start, batting .310 with five home runs and 12 RBI's.

These big bats are driving in many runs because Houston's lead-off hitter Julio Lugo and second hitter Craig Biggio are getting on base. Lugo is batting .306 with 14 runs scored and a .377 on base percentage. Biggio is batting .296 with 17 runs scored and a whopping .432 on base percentage.

With Biggio and Lugo on base and Berkman, Hidalgo, Bagwell, and Alou taking advantage of the short fences of Enron, Houston will continue to be at the top of the league in runs scored. If its pitching staff does not fall apart like last year, Houston will find itself at the top of the National League's Central division by the year's end.

Seniors lead Women's Lax back to the Tourney

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automatic bid.

This weekend is the final regular season test for the Continentals, and the last home game for the seven seniors that have dedicated so much time and talent to a vastly improved program.

In the past four years, they have seen the women's lacrosse team transform from a perpetually losing program to one of the top ten teams in the country.

Their flexibility and commitment to a new coaching staff and a new game plan have paid off, and they are now the leaders of an NCAA bound team.

Men's Lacrosse defeats Keuka

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ited to a more motivated and focused group of players and to a new coach who has been able to get the most out of each of his players.

This is the time of year when this motivation, focus, and coaching will really show themselves.

It would be easy to write this season off and split the next four games, but the team must instead find a way to stay on the winning track and complete a season that has helped them prove so much.

The final run begins this Friday when Hamilton takes on Vassar in the Continentals' final home game of the season.

This is also the first time that the team will get to play under the lights as the first face-off is scheduled to take place at 6PM.

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Men's Tennis heats up as season comes to an end

Eileen Wildman '01 honored by Women's Team

by Lindsey Schantz '03
SPORTS WRITER

The men's tennis team pulled even at 5-5 this week, with two big wins over Hobart and LeMoyne. The entire team is beginning to show how talented they can be as the end of the season draws near. The men hope to finish their UCAA schedule strong to close out a solid season.

Against rival Hobart, the men got down early. They were unfortunate to drop the doubles point, but bounced back in a big way by sweeping the singles. The men won all six singles matches to capture a 6-1 victory.

Captain Ryan Thorpe '02 won in two close sets (7-5, 7-6), pulling out a tie breaker in the second set to tally the win. Arnab Chanda '03 came back, after dropping the first set, to win in three sets (1-6 , 6-3, 6-1).

The other winners for Hamilton were Ash Pajoohi '02 (7-5, 6-4), Varun Vasudeva '04 (6-4, 7-5), John Murphy '04 (6-0, 6-1), and Erick Volp '04 (6-2, 7-6).

Coach Jaime King called the match "an excellent win, especially after the close match that the two teams played last year. It was a good team effort, to come back after dropping the doubles point on Hobart's home courts."

Then, this past Tuesday, the men faced tough competition in a strong LeMoyne team. In awful windy and cold conditions, the men gutted out a 6-3 victory. Prashant Sadarangani '04 captured a big win for the Continentals in three sets, 2-6, 6-3, 7-5. Ryan Thorpe '02 and Ash Pajoohi '02 also played tough and each won in three sets. After Hamilton picked up the doubles point, with the help of a win by Dave Hunn '03 and Sadarangani at second doubles, Chanda rounded out the scoring with a well played 6-4, 6-0 victory in singles.

When asked about the match, Coach King said that due to the weather it was "not the prettiest match," but he was proud that his team "got through it and pulled out the win." He was also quick to mention the play of Chanda at third singles, saying, "Arnab has been solid all year."

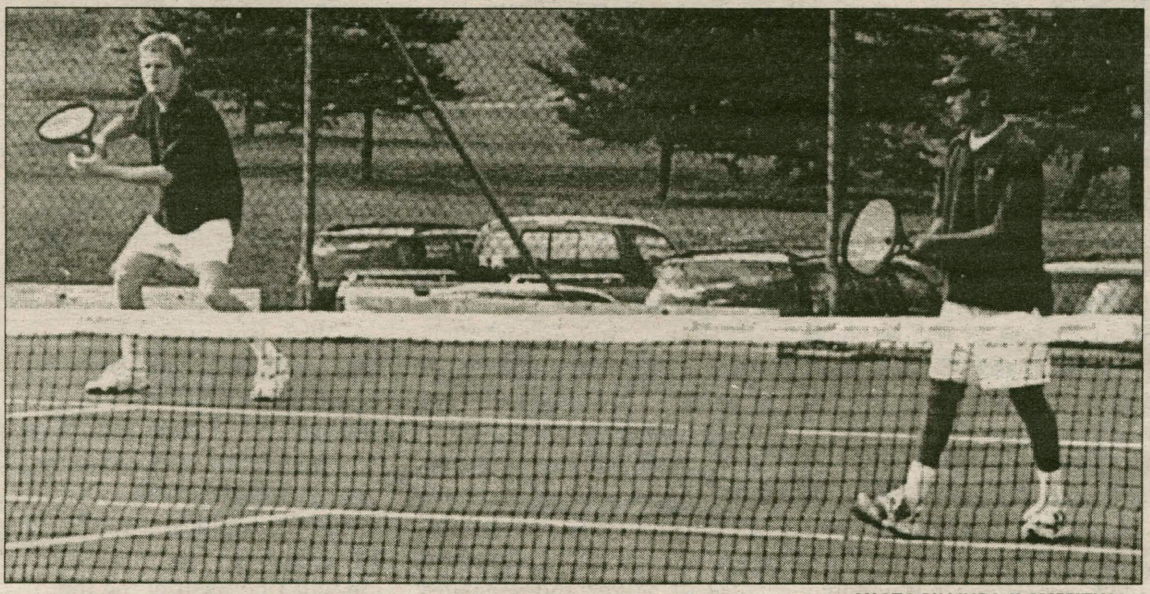
The men hope to finish above .500 as they wrap up their season.

They finish their UCAA schedule with Union, and a rematch with LeMoyne, and end the season by participating in the NESCAC tournament.

On a final note, senior captain Eileen Wildman '01 played her final match as a member of the women's tennis team this past weekend. Eileen closed out a tremendous career, and certainly left her mark on the program. She finished third in all-time winning percentage, fifth in singles winning percentage, and first in doubles winning percentage.

After four years of solid play, Eileen has earned the respect of her teammates, coach, and the rest of the coaches around the league.

The team will really miss Wildman's leadership, humor, and ever-present effort on the court.



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Hamilton's duo of Ryan Thorpe (far left) and Arnab Chanda (far right) lead the Continentals on a 5-1 winning streak since their Spring Break training trip.

New champ injured during parade

BALTIMORE (Reuters) - New world heavyweight boxing champion Hasim "The Rock" Rahman was in good condition on Wednesday after a car accident following a victory rally in his hometown of Baltimore.

No one was seriously hurt in the accident, which occurred when a car drove through a police traffic stop and hit Rahman's car, which then slammed into a taxi.

A spokeswoman for The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Beth Simpkins, said Rahman, 28, and his family were seen in the emergency room. "They are all in good condition," she said.

Sitting in the back seat of a convertible, Rahman's wife, Crystal, and two of his three children were thrown from the car, which was moving slowly between two police escorts.

After the crash, Rahman leaped out of the car to tend to his family. Emergency crews surrounded the vehicle and his wife was taken by stretcher to an ambulance.

Rahman received some minor cuts on his elbow. His wife, who suffered cuts and bruises and was fitted for a neck brace, will be kept in the hospital overnight for observation. Their children were released after X-rays were taken.

"My family is OK. I'm taking the kids home. God bless," Rahman told reporters outside the hospital.

The accident clouded a day in which Rahman was honored at City Hall following his shock, fifth-round knockout of Lennox Lewis in Brakpan, South Africa, early on Sunday.

With the victory, he won two of boxing's three major heavyweight titles, those of the World Boxing Council and the International Boxing Federation.

Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley presented the champion, who was a 20-1 longshot before pulling off one of boxing's biggest upsets, with a key to the city and proclaimed it his day.

"This is Baltimore's day! We did all this together. I remembered Baltimore the whole time I was there," Rahman said.

Hundreds gathered as Rahman was honored on a stage built to resemble a boxing ring. Chants of "Rock! Rock! Rock!" went up.

"We went over there and we stomped on Lennox Lewis," Rahman added.

Then, the chants turned to "We want Tyson," in reference to former champion Mike Tyson, who could be Rahman's next opponent. "If they bring on Tyson, I'll stomp him, too," Rahman said.

Beat the Experts

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Sacramento at Phoenix 4/29	Kings	Kings	Kings	Kings	Kings	Kings
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Invitational gives Women's Track opportunity to shine

by Michael Everhart '02
SPORTS WRITER

On the first real weekend of spring the women's track and field team christened its new track with some great performances in the Hamilton Invitational against SUNY Oswego, SUNY Geneseo, RIT, the University of Rochester, Mohawk Valley Community College, Ithaca College, and Union College.

Co-captain Emily Hill '01 said, "The Hamilton Invite was a non-scoring meet. This type of meet gave people a chance to compete in events for time or distance rather than worrying about placing. Unfortunately it was the one and only home meet on our brand new track."

Coach Ellen Hull was pleased with how the meet went. "Several people had their best performances of the season, the weather was great, the atmosphere was relaxed, and the volunteers were very helpful. The other coaches have already showed interest in coming back next year," Hull commented.

Leading the team were Maggie Hanson '02, Jen Cammarano '03 and Andrea Stroud '03.

Hanson and Cammarano automatically qualified for NYSCTCs in events they usually do not compete in by finishing first and second in the 800 and 5,000-meter runs, respectively. Hanson's time was 2:18.22, a new school record, while Cammarano's was 18:15.35.

"Jen [Cammarano] did really well, especially for her first time running the event," said Hanson. Stroud finished second and also automatically qualified for NYSCTC's in the 400-meter hurdles with a personal best time of 1:10.38.

In the field events, Jessica Sexton '03 finished ninth and tenth in the discus and shot put, with distances of 27.16 and 8.63 meters, respectively.

Melissa Carlinhos '04 and Gill Chapman '04 finished fifth and 13 th in the javelin with distances of 27.78 and 19.96 meters, respectively.

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

Maggie Hanson (left) uses explosive speed to take on her UCAA competition at the Hamilon Invitational.

In the triple jump Anna Arnold '04 and Julie Elmuccio '03 finished third and fourth with distances of 10.63 and 10.45 meters, with Arnold automatically qualifying for NYSCTC's.

She commented, "We had some great performances in both the running and field events, and it was great to be able to run on our own track."

In the distance events Larissa Hopkins '04, Kate Nelson '01, and Jane Taylor '04 finished third, 12th, and 14th behind Hanson in the 800-meter run with times of 2:23.44, 2:29.81, and 2:32.91. Hopkins joined Hanson in automatically qualifying for NYSCTC's.

In the 1,500-meter run Nelson and Hill finished third and eighth with times of 4:54.0 and 5:17.1. All five times in both events were good enough to qualify for NESCAC's.

In the sprint events Amanda Chase '03 and Chapman finished 11th and 15th in the 200-meter dash with times of 29.07 and 30.35 seconds, with Chase's qualifying her for NESCAC's. She also finished third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:03.48.

In the 100-meter dash Arnold finished fourth with a time of 13.38 seconds, which is her best time of the season.

In the relays the team of Arnold, Chase, Stroud, and co-captain Cristina Freyre '02 finished fourth in the 400-meter relay with a time of 52.63 seconds. In the 1,600-meter relay Chase, Hopkins, Freyre, and Hanson finished first with a time of 4:10.18, which nearly broke the team record.

Next weekend the team travels to Wesleyan College to compete in the NESCAC Championships. It will try to improve upon its seventh place finish from last year.

Because of the team's schedule it has not seen any of the other NESCAC teams yet this season.

Hill said, "We will face some of our toughest competition all season at this meet, and it will therefore be a good opportunity to get in good performances before states."

Hull added, "The NESCAC is one of the strongest conferences in the country for track and field. Williams and Middlebury will dominate and Wesleyan and Colby are much improved over last year. We hope to improve over last year's performance (seventh). We also hope to get a few more qualifiers for the NY State Championships and maybe even a few school records."

This is the first year that there are qualifying standards for every event, although the standards are not as high as they are for NYSCTC's.

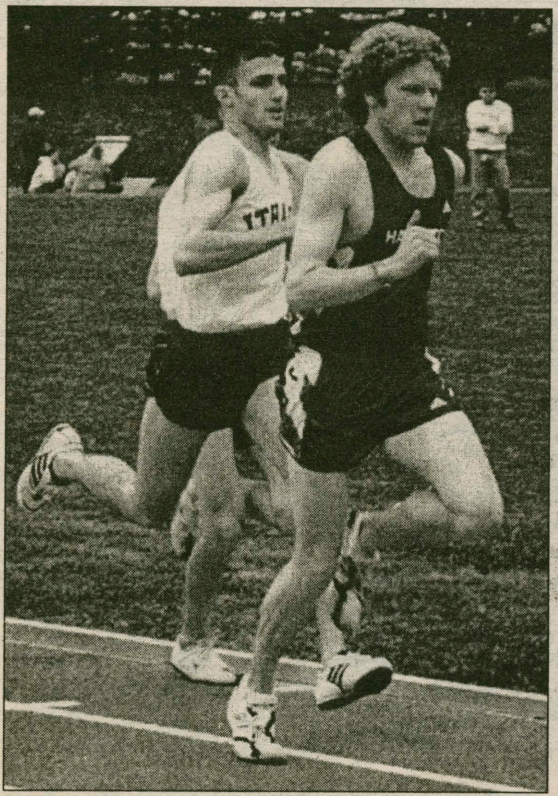
As a result, almost every continental has qualified in at least one event. Tricia Kowalski '03 has been bothered by a nagging hamstring injury and is questionable for this weekend.

This is the last chance for Hamilton runners to qualify for next weekend's NYSCTC Championships, and there are several people who are very close to qualifying.

Men's Track looks towards NESCACs

by Amanda Chase '03
SPORTS WRITER

Hamilton hosted it's own track and field invitational this weekend on the newly surfaced track.



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Hamilton's Sam Brown (dark jersey) leads the pack at last weekend's Hamilton Invitational track meet.

The University of Rochester, Ithaca College, SUNY Geneseo, Mohawk Valley Community College, SUNY Oswego, Union College, and RIT were all in attendance.

The Hamilton men performed well at the Invitational. Highlights of the meet came from Sky Gellatly '03, Ryan Palmitesso '03, Paul Jones '03, co-captain Sam Brown '01, and Ryan Murelli '02.

Gellatly took second in the triple jump with a jump of 12.82. Gellatly also competed in the long jump, and finished with a jump of 5.91.

Palmitesso took second in the high jump with a jump of 1.93.

Jones led the pack after the first three laps of the men's 1500. He finished in third place, with a time of 4:10.65.

John Damaske '02, who was a little under the weather, overcome this obstacle and finished in the top half of the competitors in the 1500.

Brown and Murelli were flying in the 800, with times of 1:57.10 and 1:57.70, taking third and fourth, respectively.

Brown, after a few weeks off nursing an injury, showed signs of being on his way to full strength.

Murelli set a personal record by shaving more than two seconds off of his time in the 800.

This perfomance will improve his placement in postseason meets.

Co-captain Scott Taylor '01, was the third Hamilton man to finish under the two minute mark in the 800.

Taylor ran a 1:58.75, coming in barely a second behind Brown and Murelli.

Lewis Boyd '03 and Jeff Corey '04 each grabbed a fourth place finish for the men's team. Boyd threw the shot put 12.03 for fourth place points.

Jeff Barnett '01 also threw the shot put for Hamilton.

Corey led the Continentals in the 100 meter dash, finishing in fourth place in 11.25 seconds.

Greg Zalasky '04 and Tony Coudert '01 also competed in the 100.

The men's team will be competing at Tufts, at this weekend's NESCAC championships. Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, Connecticut College, Middlebury, Tufts, Wesleyan, Williams, and Trinity College will all be present. The men's track team hopes to improve their times and qualify for the postseason before the state championships in two weeks.

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Sports

Two to go: Women's Lacrosse one step closer to the Crown

Lady Continentals look to repeat as UCAA Champs

by Lauren Reynolds '02
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

The women's lacrosse team moved two games closer to the NCAA tournament with wins over UCAA opponents Rochester and Clarkson this past weekend.

Now the Continentals only need to get past Vassar and RPI this weekend for an automatic bid to the Big Dance.

On Friday the Continentals traveled to Rochester and came home with a 10-5 victory.

"This was one of my favorite games," commented co-captain Lauren Bruce '01. "Everything came together and we were on all over the field."

Hamilton took the early lead, scoring three goals in the first ten minutes. Rochester answered back, scoring two goals by the end of the half.

Even this effort was not enough to stop the fiery attack of co-captain Sarah Gloo '01, Adrien Moseley '01 and Molly Plummer '03. Gloo led all scorers with three goals, and Moseley and Plummer added two apiece.

Helena Marrin '03, Kristen Engster '01 and co-captain Caitlin Wakefield '01 rounded out the scoring, each chipping in a goal.

"Our transition play was smooth and our attack was able to beat Rochester's zone defense," commented Bruce.

Moseley also picked up her first yellow card for the Continentals.

The win over Rochester was a team effort, and the defense played a large part in the victory.

Coach Karen Hollands praised, "The defense executed the game plan perfectly."

Bruce, Nadia Dovi '04 and Jenne Atherton '01 were able to completely mark out Rochester's two leading scorers and were able to keep the number of shots on goal to a minimum.

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Sarah Gloo (#10) leads the Continentals in both goals and points for the season.

"Dovi marked out her girl so well that she didn't even get a shot on goal," praised Bruce.

Hollands added, "Bruce played very well. She was able to hold Clarkson's Jenny Rogers, their leading scorer, to one assist."

Goalie Jess Asrican '01 came up with big saves and finished with five on the day.

"This was an important win for us," commented Hollands. "One person did not dominate the game; everyone played really well."

The Continentals entered Monday's game knowing that a win over a weaker Clarkson team would put them one step closer to an NCAA bid.

Though they struggled with nagging injuries and end of the season exhaustion, Hamilton put on a show for the crowd at home.

Hollands praised the play of the seniors, who were able to give the team a solid lead in the first half. Gloo again led all scorers, tallying six goals and three assists in the win.

"Statistically, Gloo is the best attacker Hamilton has ever seen," said Hollands.

Wakefield and Sarah Bardenett '04 each scored three goals apiece. Katie McKeon '03 tallied two assists, and Moseley, Marrin, Meghen Gifford '04 and Tally Gibson '04 each added a goal.

Hollands emphasized the importance of underclassmen Alex Manoff '04, Mary Ryan '04, Ali Cherry '03, Charlotte Hodde '04, and Sarah Baldwin '04, who came off the bench and put in quality time.

"This was a fun game to watch," commented Bruce. "There are a number of people on the team who could play more and it was great to see them get experience."

On Friday, the team takes on Vassar and Saturday they face RPI, both games at the new turf. This weekend also marks the team's annual Parents/Professors Appreciation Day.

"I am very excited to see everyone play their best game," commented Hollands.

Wins over both of these teams will give the Continentals both the UCAA crown and an

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Men's Lacrosse bounces back from RPI loss

by Brent Lowinger '02
SPORTS WRITER

The men's lacrosse team's run at a UCAA title and a birth to the NCAA tournament took a turn for the worse last Saturday when they were defeated handily by UCAA rival RPI.

After a huge win versus Hartwick earlier in the week, the Continentals were poised to go into RPI and come away with another upset victory.

This time there was no storybook ending. RPI dominated Hamilton in all facets of the game and showed the Conts that they still have some work to do if they hope to be UCAA champions next year.

"It was a disappointing loss for us" said midfielder Jay Morrell '02, "but I think it will be motivation for us to work even harder for the next four games and into the offseason."

One player, who asked to remain nameless, commented, "In order to be the best you have to beat the best, and last Saturday we just weren't up to the task. They were good, but I think we could have played a whole lot better and put some pressure on. It's just frustrating that we have to wait another year before we get another shot at the postseason."

It may have lost its chance at a tournament appearance, but the team did not lose its will to win.

After the devastating loss to RPI on Saturday, the Continentals were able to bounce back and defeat a much weaker Keuka team.

The game should not have been close, and the Continental players made sure that it wasn't.

Matt Silverio '03 led the way with seven points on six goals and one assist.

Morrell helped the offensive cause with four goals and one assist from his midfield position.

Sean Duffy '01 distributed the ball well, chipping in with five points on four assists and one goal.

The Conts looked as though they were taking their frustration from the RPI game out on Keuka, scoring a season high 21 goals and holding the opposition to eight.

It was no consolation for losing the RPI game, but the players are still focused on winning.

Hamilton may not be able to make it to the NCAA tournament, but it does still have something to play for.

With a 5-4 record and four very winnable games remaining, the Continentals could end the season with nine wins and a second place finish in the UCAA.

This would be a tremendous accomplishment for a team that was 1-11 and last in its conference just two years ago.

The turnaround can be cred-

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PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFITHS '02

The Hamilton men's lacrosse team gets ready to take on Vassar College at its final home game this Friday on the turf field, following the women's lacrosse game. The Continentals look to secure a bid to the NCAA tournament with a win over the UCAA conference rival.